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Monopolies probe likely on air merger

Government will insist on a quick decision

By Colin Narbrough

The Government is now likely to call for the Monopolies and Merger Commission to investigate the proposed merger between British Airways and British Caledonian, but it wants it done as quickly as possible.

The move, which runs against the Government's own instincts, has come in the wake of recognition of the weight of opinion demanding a referral and a desire to dispel any suggestion that the airlines received prior approval for the merger plan.

It is believed that Whitehall would consider as ideal a report concluded by November.

But Sir Adam Thomson, chairman of B-Cal, yesterday stepped up pressure on the Government to approve the merger by saying that an investigation would halt any prospect of the deal going ahead.

He said: "If there is a reference the deal would fall. It would be very difficult for B-Cal to sit back for six to eight months while the investigations went on. We would have to say that we simply cannot accept such a reference and would not participate in the inquiries which would follow."

The Consumers Association yesterday urged the Government to refer the merger to the Monopolies Commission, saying it would not significantly increase BA's size as a major world airline and would diminish competition.

Sir Gordon Borrie, director-general of the Office of Fair Trading (OFT), is expected by senior ministers to recommend a referral in the next few weeks. There is only the remotest chance that Lord Young, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, would overrule the recommendation.

The Civil Aviation Authority and some leading independent airlines are in favour of referring the proposed £237 million offer from BA for B-Cal to the commission, arguing that it raises major issues on airline and airport competition.

In contrast, trade unions representing the workforces at BA and B-Cal, and some rival airlines, have called for the merger to be given quick approval.

But in the Commons last Friday, the Government came under pressure from Conservative backbenchers to refer the deal as part of its policy of increasing competition.

Mr John Butcher, Under-secretary of State for Trade and Industry, signalled to MPs that there was scope for discussion on the merits of the merger plan, but that scrutiny of the deal by the OFT limited the Government's ability to air its views publicly. He also pledged that he would draw the attention of the OFT to the views of MPs.

In determining whether a merger is against the public interest, the Fair Trading Act stipulates that all relevant matters should be taken into account, including the desirability of promoting competition, consumer interests, the effect on prices and technical development, the entry of new competitors into the market, employment, and international competitiveness.

Both BA and B-Cal have presented Sir Gordon with a long and detailed outline of their views on why the commission should not investigate the deal.

They claim that, far from curbing competition, it will actually increase it.

Sir Adam told a press conference yesterday that if the investigation went ahead B-Cal would look for a deal elsewhere. "Instead we would revive the talks we were having with European airlines which were getting close to a conclusion, and reopen discussions with American airlines with whom we were also in detailed negotiation."

B-Cal has held talks with more than a dozen airlines. But this was reduced to a handful of serious contenders, namely Northwest Airlines in the United States and UTA, the French carrier, which were the leading contenders for a link-up with the Gatwick-based British operator, possibly through an initial injection of cash

MP seeks inquiry on Yard men

From Philip Jacobson
Stockholm

The Home Secretary, Mr Douglas Hurd, is to be asked to investigate the conduct of two Scotland Yard detectives involved in the case of Captain Simon Hayward, the Life Guards officer now on trial for smuggling drugs into Sweden.

Mr John Gorst, the Conservative MP for Hendon North, said here yesterday that he had been shocked by evidence from Captain Hayward about his interviews with the two officers from Britain's recently formed National Drugs Intelligence Unit.

As soon as he returns to London, Mr Gorst added, he would press for an inquiry into "outrageous" police tactics in attempting to intimidate Captain Hayward by threatening action against his family. "If necessary, disciplinary action should be taken against the officers concerned." He will also talk to the Police Complaints Authority.

The Scotland Yard men were named in court yesterday as Det Inspector David Morgan and Det Sergeant Brian Moore.

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Tamil peace pact marred by riots

From Vijitha Yapa, Sri Lanka

President Jayewardene of Sri Lanka and the Indian Prime Minister, Mr Rajiv Gandhi, yesterday signed an agreement in Colombo to establish "peace and normalcy in Sri Lanka", while Sri Lankans, mainly Sinhala Buddhists, continued rioting — burning government buses and buildings.

Meanwhile, police opened fire to prevent thousands of people marching into Colombo. Demonstrators ignored a shoot-at-sight order for violators of an island-wide curfew, and were protesting against the plan to merge the Northern and Eastern provinces into one regional council designed to give greater autonomy to the mainly Tamil people of these areas.

The Sinhala people see the agreement as the first step towards establishing a separate Tamil state called Eelam.

President Jayewardene rejected claims that he was considering resigning because of the widespread unpopularity of the agreement.

When asked why he did not make these concessions earlier and save the country much turmoil and bloodshed, he said: "I did not have the courage, foresight and intelligence" to agree to these demands four years ago. He said the sudden change of mind was due to the influence of "the stars and the planets".

And he said he would campaign against the merger referendum, which is to be held on or before December 31, 1988. He threatened to dissolve Parliament if it did not approve the Bill to establish the new council in the North and East. And he said the riots occurring in various parts of the country were because the people were ignorant.

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Under the terms of the agreement, a ceasefire between Sri Lankan armed forces and separatist Tamil guerrillas will come into effect within 48 hours, and all guerrilla arms will be surrendered within 72 hours of the ceasefire. The Sri Lanka Army will withdraw from the territories they gained from the guerrillas after bitter fighting in May and June, and a joint Sri Lanka/Indian observer group will monitor the cessation of hostilities.

Two-way traffic: Mrs Thatcher and President Mitterrand meeting on the steps of the Elysée Palace yesterday before signing the Channel Tunnel treaty that clears the way for construction work to move ahead. (High-speed trains, page 2)

Russians cool hopes of missile agreement

By Andrew McEwen
Diplomatic Correspondent

Soviet officials yesterday damped down American euphoria over prospects for a deal to eliminate medium and shorter-range nuclear missiles, and also poured cold water on the West's more cautious hopes on strategic weapons.

Mr Alexei Obukhov, the deputy Soviet leader at the East-West arms talks in Geneva, said that the US proposals on Intermediate Nuclear Forces (INF) announced on Tuesday were "not constructive".

Asked if Moscow was un-[illegible] in the demand that Washington has refused — that West Germany give up its Pershing 1A missiles — he said "Yes", then presented new proposals to ban space weapons, adding that until agreement was reached there could be no deal on strategic weapons.

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Western sources said this amounted to a reaffirmation of Moscow's insistence that the American Strategic Defence Initiative, known as Star Wars, must go.

The second of these developments came as no surprise, but the first was not taken at face value in Whitehall. De-

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US rushes helicopters to sweep mines in Gulf

From Michael Binyon, Washington

Mr Caspar Weinberger, the Defence Secretary, has ordered the US Navy to rush eight mine-sweeping helicopters to the Gulf, where they will operate off a helicopter carrier.

The order was issued on Tuesday night and the departure of the helicopters from Norfolk on board Air Force C5 transport planes was "imminent", sources said yesterday.

The helicopters and their support crew of about 200 men will be flown to Diego Garcia in the Indian Ocean. They will then fly out to meet the USS Guadalcanal, an amphibious landing ship and helicopter carrier that is taking part in routine exercises with a marine amphibious unit in the Indian Ocean.

It will take several days before the carrier and huge RH-53D helicopters can reach the Gulf. But Pentagon officials said this was not expected to delay the second convoy operation down the Gulf from Kuwait.

Mr Weinberger's action comes as the US is turning to its allies to help clear the mines in the Gulf. Washington has been severely embarrassed by the damage done to the supertanker Bridgeton and by revelations that the Navy has fallen years behind in its effort to rebuild its obsolete minesweepers.

US officials are holding talks with Britain, France And West Germany about using their minesweepers to protect the convoys of US-registered Kuwaiti tankers and other ships. Kuwait's Ambassador to the US said that several countries would be prepared to co-operate in a joint mine-sweeping operation.

Mr Richard Murphy, the Assistant Secretary of State for the Middle East, would not give details in testimony to Congress on how the US is going to protect the ships against mines. He said discussions were going on with Kuwait and other Gulf states on using helicopters, which are better based on land. He rejected accusations that these countries are not co-operating.

The International Association of Independent Tanker Owners will press the Government today to take the lead in setting up a naval peace-keeping force to protect all merchant shipping in the Gulf. Mr Basil Papachristidis, the Intertanko chairman, is also seeking a meeting with the French Government.

Mr Murphy said the remaining nine Kuwaiti ships which the US has agreed to protect would be under the US flag in six weeks. There would then be five or six convoys through the Gulf a month.

In turning to the allies for help in clearing mines, the US is relying on an informal understanding that has evolved in recent years that the US would build aircraft carriers, submarines and heavily equipped cruisers and leave mine-sweeping functions to the allies. The US Navy now has only three minesweepers in service and 18 used in training exercises in reserve — all date back to the 1950s. It would take at least a week for the two in service to reach the Gulf.

Officials told the New York Times however that the Navy has fallen two years behind in its $1.5 billion effort to build a new class of ocean-going minesweepers. The first of the new Avenger class is still undergoing sea trials at a time when five of the 14 ships in the class were supposed to have been delivered. The first ship will not be commissioned until September.

Last year the Navy cancelled a separate programme to build 17 coastal mine hunters, and is arranging to buy ships designed in Italy.

A Navy team has been ordered to seach for more underwater explosives in the Gulf channel where a full minefield has been discovered.

Meanwhile many members of Congress are demanding an end to US protection of the Kuwaiti tankers. Senators say the US is being "jerked around" by Kuwait, which they accuse of resisting US requests to act as a base in minesweeping operations.

Ridley battles to save poll tax

By Philip Webster
Chief Political Correspondent

Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for the Environment, is preparing to mount a rear-guard action today against Treasury proposals that London should get special treatment when the Government's new poll tax is phased in from 1990.

He will argue that the suggestion, from Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, that London should get an extra year, on top of the transition period of three, four or five years decided for the rest of England, will mean that people in the rest of the country will have to pay an additional £2 on their community charge to subsidize the profligate inner London boroughs.

His submission is contained in the paper which Mr Ridley has prepared for what is expected to be today's decisive meeting of the Cabinet committee discussing rating reform.

The committee, which is due to meet at Downing Street before a session of the full Cabinet, is also expected to decide whether the community charge in the first year of transition should be £75 or £100. The remaining charge for local services will be made up from a reduced rates bill.

It is also expected to agree to the request of Mr Peter Walker, Secretary of State for Wales, that Wales should get the same treatment as Scotland and that the community charge should be introduced there in a single year.

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Mr Ridley was said by ministerial colleagues last night to be hoping for support from the Prime Minister for his proposal that the phase-in should last only three years.

He is said to feel that he was deserted by her two weeks ago when the Cabinet committee decided that there should be a transitional period rather than the one instalment he favoured. He had believed that Mrs Thatcher shared his view that a clean break with the old system would lessen the danger of political damage in the run-up to the next general election.

But the signs last night were that Mrs Thatcher is prepared to go along with Mr Lawson and Mr John Major, Chief Secretary to the Treasury, in their case for a transition lasting more than three years. She is convinced of the need to soften the impact of the new tax, about which many Conservative MPs are deeply

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Ferry owners will pay out £400,000

Townsend Thoresen was ordered yesterday to pay £400,000 towards the cost of the public inquiry into the Herald of Free Enterprise disaster.

Mr Justice Sheen, the inquiry chairman, said the company, which was found guilty of serious negligence which cost the lives of 188 people, had "to bear a heavy responsibility for the disaster".

He said: "There being no other way in which this court can mark its feelings about the conduct of Townsend Car Ferries Limited, other than by an order that they should pay a substantial part of the costs of this investigation, I have ordered them to pay the sum of £350,000.

"That seems to me to meet the justice of the case." The money will go to the Secretary of State for Transport.

Townsend Thoresen was further ordered to pay £50,000 to the National Union of Seamen, which represented crew members and the families of crew who died.

Mr Justice Sheen said that Townsend Car Ferries Limited were partly to blame and should bear the cost of the legal representation.

The finding is in addition to the £750,000 which the company spent on legal representation at the inquiry.

The judge ordered the Secretary of State for Transport to pay costs totalling £74,675. Mr Mark Stanley, the assistant bosun on the ferry, should receive £39,675 towards his legal costs.

He said Captain David Lewry and Mr Leslie Sabel, who will share £25,000 towards their costs, had "suffered the penalty of having their certificates suspended".

Mr Justice Sheen also ordered the Secretary of State to pay £10,000 towards the costs of legal representation for surviving passengers and next of kin of the dead.

Top RIBA man resigns

The council of the Royal Institute of British Architects yesterday accepted the resignation of Mr Patrick Harrison, the institute's secretary, after a report by consultants criticizing bad management and inefficiency at the 153-year-old institute (Our Architecture Correspondent writes).

Mr Harrison, aged 59, who earns about £50,000 a year, has been secretary since 1968. He submitted his resignation before the start of the council meeting and it was overwhelmingly accepted. It takes effect immediately.

Terms have not been disclosed but it is thought that he will receive about £100,000 as a golden handshake.

Mr Harrison's departure is likely to be only the first step in a shake-up of the institute. Mr Rod Hackney, the new RIBA president, promised to modernize the institute when he was elected last year.

America sets its sights on a Martian frontier

From Charles Bremner, New York

Eighteen years since Neil Armstrong stepped on to the Moon, the United States is at last setting its sights on that oldest space flight dream — an expedition to Mars.

And just as the Soviet sputnik spurred the first American sprint in the space race, a prime force for a mission to Mars is a growing fear among American scientists and space officials that the Russians are well on the way to getting there first.

Events over the past month suggest that the American space programme, wallowing in failure, could soon be galvanized in a new race to the "new frontier" just as it was in the early 1960s.

On Monday, the White House confirmed the basis of press leaks that the Administration is about to shake up Nasa, the space agency.

The reports say Nasa could be dismantled completely in an attempt to counter a lack of direction that has allowed the Russians to assume mastery in space.

The disaster of the shuttle, Challenger, was just one symptom of the malaise in the agency, which has fallen far behind in its manned programme and its plans to build a permanent orbiting station by the mid 1990s.

Last week, the country's leading space scientists and a number of officials met at a conference in Colorado to voice the case for a manned trip to Mars.

The flight that would take about two years and could be achieved in the early years of the next century.

For the crew, such a flight would be "like spending a couple of years in a motel room with a bunch of other people," according to one expert.

The Nasa administrator, Mr James Fletcher, told the conference: "National interest in Mars exploration is growing at an ever-increasing rate. I firmly believe we should go and I'm confident we will go. The question is: When will we be ready?"

While the Americans have diffused their efforts with the development of the shuttle and the ambitious high-tech space station — now far behind schedule — the Russians have pressed ahead steadily, gaining experience with re-usable rockets and generations of orbiting platforms. Russian scientists have for years declared that a mission to Mars is their goal.

A report last week by the respected Jane's Spaceflight Directory sent shudders through the Administration and the Pentagon. This said the Soviet Union had about a decade lead and alleged that Nasa "has lost the will to fly men in space". Among other feats, the Russians have logged three times more the amount of manned space time than the Americans.

Nasa has long regarded Mars as a long-term goal, but only one of several. However, many scientists believe the country should focus on Mars to provide the kind of great adventure that would rekindle the pioneer spirit.

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NEWS SUMMARY

Shipyard set to lose MoD order

Up to 2,000 jobs are at risk at the Scott Lithgow shipyard on the Clyde after management was told yesterday that a "preferential opportunity" to build three vessels for the Ministry of Defence may be withdrawn.

Scott Lithgow, owned by Trafalgar House, has been wrangling with the ministry for the past year over the price of the contract for mooring vessels.

The ministry says the order is worth about £10 million, but Scott Lithgow values it at £15 million.

Scott Lithgow, the last of the big shipyards on the lower Clyde, employs 1,000 workers plus more than 1,000 subcontractors on its Port Glasgow site. The ministry contract would guarantee at least 700 jobs.

Child sex challenge

Dr Marietta Higgs, one of the paediatricians at the centre of the Cleveland child sexual abuse controversy, should be "challenged and made to defend her actions", health watchdogs say.

In a report to be submitted to next month's judicial inquiry, South Tees Community Health Council says that the doctor's use of controversial diagnosis techniques had resulted in children who had not been sexually abused being placed in council care.

Diplomat flies out

The Bulgarian diplomat expelled by Britain as an alleged spy finally left London yesterday.

Colonel Ivan Pavlov Djambov, aged 55, military attache at the Bulgarian embassy in London, had been given two weeks to leave after the Foreign Office said that he was "engaged in activities incompatable with his status".

Colonel Djambov, who has always protested his innocence, refused to answer any questions about his expulsion

EEC justice warning

The signing of the Hague convention on international access to justice will play directly into the hands of known terrorists, a group of peers warns today.

The House of Lords Select Committee on the EEC says the aim of the convention is to break down the cross-frontier barriers between EEC courts and some other countries.

However, it says that it could provide terrorists and others with immunity from prosecution because it would allow them to appear in other cases without fear of arrest.

The committee recommends that an an agreement on access to courts should be restricted to EEC member states. *House of Lords' EEC Select Committee Report: International Access to the Courts* (Stationery Office; £4.70).

Steel set to 'wed'

Mr David Steel, the Liberal Party leader, went on television last night and told Social Democrats: "It's time for wedding bells".

He used a party political broadcast to emphasize the case for a merger of the parties and to spell out his commitment to a non-socialist policies acceptable to right-wing Social Democrats.

"Six years is long enough for an engagement. It's time for wedding bells. And that, I'm convinced, is what most people want", he said.

Refugees protest

Tamils detained on a ship at Harwich in Essex are threatening a hunger strike in protest at the delay in processing their applications for political asylum

Immigration officials say no progress can be made with the 65 Tamils until ministers have decided the fate of another 64 who were involved in a protest at Heathrow earlier this year.

It is 98 days since the Home Office chartered the former Channel ferry MV Earl William to board Tamils and other refugees.

Minister snubbed

Mr Richard Luce, Minister for the Arts, got the cold shoulder yesterday when he visited a Derbyshire library despite having his invitation withdrawn at the last minute by the Labour-controlled county council.

No officials went to greet him when he arrived in Bolsover, the constituency of Mr Dennis Skinner, the left-wing MP, and he had to be shown round by the deputy librarian. Afterwards he attacked the council for "absurd political posturing". A council spokesman said the visit had coincided with a council meeting.

High-speed Euro trains must slow in England

By Rodney Cowton
Transport Correspondent

Mrs Margaret Thatcher yesterday announced that a high-speed train system will operate through the Channel Tunnel. The trains will run at speeds of up to 170mph in France, but they will be limited to about 100mph in Britain.

Mrs Thatcher made her announcement in the grandeur of the Elysee Palace in Paris, where she and President Mitterrand formally ratified the Channel Tunnel Treaty, which provides the constitutional basis for the project.

The President described the £6 billion tunnel scheme as one of the most decisive between now and the end of the century, while Mrs Thatcher said it would be "the greatest civil engineering project in Europe".

The ratification comes almost 18 months after the treaty was signed by the two leaders at Canterbury.

The effect of the ratification is formally to bring into force a 55-year concession to the Anglo-French company, Eurotunnel, to build and operate the tunnel.

Mr Alastair Morton, the British co-chairman of Eurotunnel, and Mr Andre Benard, his French counterpart, expressed "extremely satisfaction" at the ratification. The way was now open for those who must make it the reality, they said.

The high-speed railway project is a very much larger one for France than for Britain, and M Mitterrand was more equivocal than Mrs Thatcher in his remarks about it, speaking on the determination to overcome problems.

The project involves France spending about £2 billion on a new railway line from Paris to the tunnel near Calais, along which trains would reach 170 mph. Britain has ruled out, for many years at least, building a similar new line from the Channel to London, though it will seek to improve the existing track.

British Rail has firm plans to spend only £400 million on the tunnel project, some of which will be used on improving the line through Kent.

The new trains will operate to the British loading gauge which is narrower than the French, and take electric power both from the French overhead power cables and from British Rail's Southern Region third-rail power supply.

Because the French railway investment will be very much greater than British Rail's, a special revenue sharing agreement has been drawn up.

The high-speed trains operating through the tunnel are expected to cut the passenger journey time between London and Paris to under three hours, making them fully competitive with air travel.

Eurotunnel forecasts that in 1993, its first year of operation, 30 million people will use it.

● Three Second World War bombs have been found and defused during excavation work near Calais for the tunnel.

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Rumbold in call for more discipline in education

By Sarah Thompson, Education Reporter

Discipline in schools is at such a low point that some teachers feel permanently threatened by their pupils, Mrs Angela Rumbold, Minister of State for Education, said yesterday.

Speaking to journalists after addressing the annual conference of the Professional Association of Teachers, Mrs Rumbold also criticized "the theory that you can teach children when only part of the class is paying attention, the idea that you can have a teacher talking only to those children who want to listen while others chat among themselves".

Discipline was vital to a school's performance. "Society at large does not exemplify consistently high standards of behaviour, yet that same society tends to demand consistently high standards from schools.

"Increases in unemployment, in the employment of mothers with children at school, and in the number of broken homes and single-parent families have sometimes adversely affected relationships with schools and made it more difficult for teachers to carry out their proper work effectively.

"While most parents exercise their responsibilities seriously and conscientiously, a few prove unequal to the task. And a very few seem actively to encourage behaviour opposed to that encouraged at schools."

Other speakers called on the Government to support head teachers who suspend disruptive pupils.

Mr Robert Christie, a member of the Scottish executive committee, told the conference of a head who suspended two boys for a week for smoking cannabis in view of younger pupils.

His decision was overturned by the local regional council after an appeal by the parents.

Mr Alister Milne, from Leicestershire, said that under the 1986 Education Act, a local education authority can return a suspended pupil to school even after the head and governors have decided that suspension is the best course.

The association called on the Government to investigate the situation and clarify exclusion procedures.

Mrs Rumbold also mentioned the national curriculum which, she said, would demystify education and end the secret-garden syndrome.

For far too long education had been surrounded by an air of secrecy with the accepted wisdom being that only those in the know, such as teachers, could decide on what was taught and why.

The Government was well aware of the fears that politicians might manipulate the national curriculum, but Mrs Rumbold said that the consultative document, issued by Mr Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for Education, last week, made it clear that the Secretary of State could not depart from the concensus view without justification.

Mrs Rumbold later explained that the Government would be recommending that the national curriculum should insist on children being taught British history and that they should understand the linear sequence of events

● Mr Baker prevented a sixth form from being closed by a Labour council yesterday after an 18-month campaign by parents.

He said that A level courses must remain at Ilkeston School, Derbyshire, a comprehensive which was once a grammar school.

Labour councillors planned to close the sixth form and make all A level students attend the town's college.

The glamour of the ballet and the magic of the big top proved the perfect combination for Michelle Richards, aged six, who was invited to dance by Fionnuala Power of the Royal Ballet yesterday during a children's day at Battersea Park, south London. The company is performing until Saturday inside a 1,200-seat circus tent (Photograph: Denzil McNeelance).

Hammond attack on unions

By Tim Jones

Mr Eric Hammond, leader of the electricians' union, yesterday accused three unions of plotting against him.

He gave warning that his 347,000 members would leave the TUC rather than be "blackmailed into surrendering their independence".

Mr Hammond, general secretary of the Electrical, Electronic Telecommunication and Plumbing Union (EETPU) made it clear that he intends to confront the threatened "bitter and full frontal attack" which be believes unions are planning at the TUC conference in September.

Under his leadership the EETPU has infuriated other unions by its willingness to negotiate with companies single union deals which include no-strike clauses.

But Mr Hammond, writing in his union journal, says that in some cases it has been clear the alternative to a deal has been closure or a non-union plant. "Rival unions prefer that to seeing us make an agreement. . . some principle", he said.

Mr Hammond said Mr Norman Willis, general secretary of the TUC, did not accept his contention that the TUC disputes committee appeared to have assumed an unprecedented degree of power to interfere in freely negotiated agreements at the expense of the EETPU.

"But the evidence of a preconceived plot continues to mount. It is an open secret that the General and Municipal Workers, the Transport and General Workers and the National Union of Public Employees have sought to find a way to turn the screw on us.

Mr Hammond emphasizes that his union is not looking to leave the TUC. "Far from it. The consequent conflict would spread through British industry "

Inner city unrest

The plight of jobless youth

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

Mrs Margaret Thatcher is to be told today of increasing alienation among the young and growing fear of riots in many inner city areas.

The warning comes from the Apex Trust, which accuses the Government's inner city Cabinet committee of avoiding the basic issue of crime and unemployment which creates unrest.

Mrs Thatcher will receive todaya copy of *Meeting the Inner City Challenge*, the annual report of Apex. She will also be given an invitation to see for herself the work that is needed in the inner cities with young offenders and unemployed youth at risk. Apex specializes in improving the job prospects of offenders.

The trust accuses each department represented on the Cabinet committee of failing to meet the needs of inner city residents. Apex says: "The Home Office's total crime prevention strategy to date has concentrated on locks and bolts and neighbourhood watch schemes.

"They have provided very few resources to help the community address the most important crime issue, the rehabilitation of offenders."

The Department of Trade and Industry, Apex says, gives emphasis to the private sector which has little or no experience of sensitive community based developments and there is a danger that investment will continue to fail to reach local people.

Few social services departments have strategies to address the problems that long term unemployment causes to individuals, families and communities.

The Job Training Scheme and the Youth Training Scheme are the main platforms for 16 to 25-year-olds.' Those schemes are dependent upon the support of the private sector.

"Yet those who are at the greatest risk of offending are those in the 16 to 25-year-old age group and the private sector can hardly be expected to be able to take on board the special problems presented by young people with negative life styles."

During the past year the Apex Trust has helped more than 7,000 offenders and youth at risk in areas such as Merseyside, Sunderland, the West Midlands and Yorkshire and worked with inner city communities such as Brixton, Tottenham and Chapeltown.

● People claiming unemployment benefits feel that the Government's Restart programme of compulsory interviews for the long term unemployed is "just a way of browbeating them to apply for low paid jobs" according to a survey published yesterday.

Under the Restart scheme, introduced last year, unemployed people are invited to attend counselling interviews at job centres to explain what steps they have taken to find employment. They are offered work if it exists, or job training.

It is made clear that if they do not attend the interview they run the risk of losing their benefits.

But according to the Unemployment Union, an independent research, lobby and campaigning organization, the Restart programme and its associated sanctions helps employers intensify competition for low paid work, "rather than giving claimants the help they really need".

The report challenges government claims that Restart is getting people off the unemployment register. It says only 16.4 per cent of those interviewed in the first few months of the programme left the register, slightly fewer than the usual figure for the long term unemployed.

Appeal by Kimberley chairman

By Michael Horsnell

A last-minute appeal to social workers to change their minds and give evidence to the Kimberley inquiry was made yesterday.

Mr Louis Blom-Cooper, QC, chairman of the inquiry into the death of the girl, aged four, last year at the hands of her stepfather, hopes to persuade three members of the social services staff in Wirral to appear.

The child was fostered on Merseyside before her return to her mother and stepfather in London in 1985, and a 400-page dossier was prepared on her parents and incidents of brutality against her mother.

The inquiry has been told that this dossier was not sent from Wirral to social workers in Greenwich, south-east London, who took over the case.

Food mountains

Storage spur to farm reform

By John Young, Agriculture Correspondent

The rise in the cost of storing excess EEC agricultural produce to an estimated £118 million, although not entirely unexpected, will be an added spur towards reform of the system.

Mr John MacGregor, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, has already said that intervention buying must be reduced to its original purpose of providing a "floor" to prevent the market collapsing and should not be seen by farmers as an alternative outlet for their produce.

The intervention price is determined by reference to a so-called target price set in Brussels.

The main commodities included in the arrangements are cereals, beef and dairy produce, although there are provisions for taking certain other products off the market if a seasonal price collapse is threatened.

Intervention buying of beef is regarded throughout the community as undesirable, if for no other reason than that freezing damages the quality and reduces its value. Price support has been partly withdrawn in the past few months and market prices have fallen.

The introduction of dairy quotas three years ago has partly brought under control a situation that was threatening to overwhelm the EEC common agricultural policy. But it has not stopped the further accumulation of the butter "mountain"

But the biggest present expenditure is in buying and storing surplus wheat and barley. No agreement has yet been reached on ways of limiting production, such as imposing quotas or forcing farmers to leave part of their land fallow.

Several EEC countries, notably West Germany, are strongly opposed to price cuts. Some efforts have been made to raise the quality requirements for grain accepted into intervention and delay payments for several months to make it a less attractive option for farmers.

Cereal stocks have been greatly reduced in the past few months through exports. But the good harvest predicted for this year will quickly fill the stores again.

The fact that £68 million, well over half of last year's total cost was represented by storage costs, will certainly be seized upon by farmers' representatives who maintain that the growers get much less out of the system than the owners of grain stores

Charity swindlers jailed 12 years

By Mark Ellis

Four men were jailed last night for a church charity swindle which a judge said "must strike at public confidence in charities".

The men cheated the elderly trustees of a charity for the poor and needy in south-east London into selling 13 houses for £52,000 when they were worth £456,000.

Judge Fordham said: "People in your roles ought to be above suspicion.

Describing them as "four greedy men", he jailed Phillip Pollock, aged 45, clerk to the charity, of Douglas Drive, Shirley, Surrey; Benjamin Gurvitz, aged 53, surveyor, of Godalming, Surrey; and Barry Rosoman, aged 34, of Douglas Drive, Shirley, and Brian Glen, aged 40, of Croft Avenue, West Wickham, Kent, both builders.

They were all convicted on Tuesday of defrauding St Olave's, St Thomas and St John United Charities in Bermondsey, south London.

Pollock was jailed for four years, disqualified from being a director for 10 years and ordered to pay £7,000 compensation. Gurvitz was jailed for two years and ordered to pay £30,200.

Rosoman and Glen were jailed for three years each and were disqualified from being directors for 10 years.

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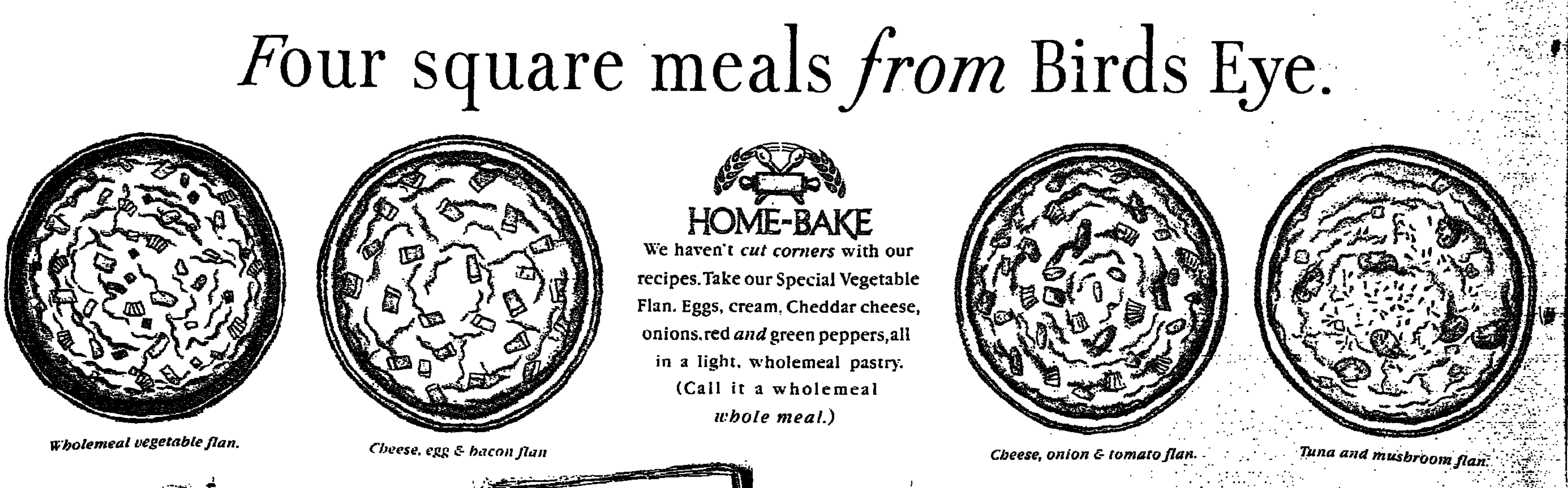

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Solicitor 'killed out of his obsessive hatred, not love'

By Ian Smith

A solicitor murdered his pregnant mistress and her daughter and tried to kill her son out of obsessive hatred, not love, Sheffield Crown Court was told yesterday.

Mr Geoffrey Rivlin, QC, for the prosecution, told the court that there was no suicide pact between Ian Wood and Danielle Lloyd, and no agreement that he should abandon the bodies in the country home they shared, escape to France and light candles in their memory in a church before killing himself.

Instead, the shootings at Ughill Hall, Bradfield, took place because of Wood's obsessive hatred for Danielle's estranged husband, Mr Colin Lloyd, a secondary school deputy headmaster.

Wood, aged 38, has admitted murdering Stephanie Lloyd, aged 2, and attempting to kill her brother, Christopher, aged 5, but has denied murdering Mrs Lloyd, aged 38. He has lodged a plea of manslaughter, claiming that the two decided they and the children should die because life was no longer worth living.

Wood, the former secretary to the Sheffield branch of the Law Society, has also admitted stealing £84,000 from clients. In evidence, he has revealed that the amount he misappropriated was about £180,000.

In his closing speech on the sixth day of the trial, Mr Rivlin said suggestions of a suicide pact were nonsense. "If it was not so desperately serious it would be laughable. Wood is a man with an unusually fertile imagination and he uses that imagination when it seems convenient, and it serves him well in difficult circumstances.

"In our submission, this man has a capacity to dream up an extraordinary tissue of lies when it suits his purpose. Call it lies or romancing, it all comes very easy to him."

Mr Rivlin said the shootings were ruthless and cold-blooded. After killing Mrs Lloyd and her daughter, Wood had shot Christopher. Then, because the child did not die, he had tried to beat him to death. If the beating of Christopher was not a sadistic act, whatever was, he asked.

Wood had made numerous telephone calls while on the run and sent at least two tape-recorded messages about events at the home. It was noticable that when Wood talked about the shootings there was not a shred of concern or compassion in his voice.

Mr Rivlin described Mrs Lloyd's apparent cheerfulness on the morning she supposedly agreed to the death pact. She did the family ironing and telephoned her mother in France. Did the jury believe that she would spend part of her last day on Earth doing the ironing?

Mr Rivlin said: "This is not a case of lovers dying out of undying love. Wood is not a poor fragile creature and Danielle was not alone in this world."

He said that Mr Lloyd, who had been painted as some awful fiend, had done nothing to justify the insult.

The prosecution did not believe Wood genuinely intended to commit suicide, even though he was seen clinging to a gargoyle 200ft above Amiens Cathederal eight days after his disappearance. Mr Rivlin maintained this was no more than a dramatic attempt to help disguise his true motive.

Mr Gilbert Gray, QC, for the defence, said that Wood had never allowed himself to be dissuaded in his belief that a suicide pact did exist. Even Parliament acknowledged the existence of such pacts and in 1961 had changed the law so that a survivor would face a charge of manslaughter and not murder.

He urged the jury against taking a cold, clinical approach when dealing with the balance of his client's mind. "One is tempted to throw one's hands up in utter despair and anguish and say how could this happen, how could anyone do it.

"Greed? No. Sadistic pleasure? No. This was a suicide pact and into this pact two normal, rational people pooled their tension, their stresses and extraordinary personalities and came out with that most calamitous of all schemes", Mr Gray said.

Mr Justice Taylor, in his summing up, counselled the jury against being swayed by feelings of revulsion about the deaths. The one issue to decide was whether Wood had joined in a suicide pact and intended taking his own life.

The case continues today.

Bold St Laurent stays cool at the top

Yves Saint Laurent yesteray introduced lush satin folds in navy satin: a plunging neckline in his side-wrapped satin dress; and bird of paradise feathers for the most glamorous cocktail dresses in Paris (Photographs: Harry Kerr).

From Liz Smith in Paris

Yves Saint Laurent's cool as a couturier has to be admired. Faced this week with the fresh challenge to his leadership of Paris fashion from Christian Lacroix's entry into the select band of couturiers (sponsored incidentally by Saint Laurent's business partner, Pierre Berge) Saint Laurent calmly displayed yesterday the stuff of which fashion legend is made.

Without the crackle of any fireworks such as a flamboyantly new silhouette he simply proved his mastery with a discreet new cut to his sporty coats and some extra generous folds added to his draping skills.

The assured clash of colours at a Saint Laurent couture show always draws gasps of pleasure from his audience. For winter, for example, camel and powder pink with a vivid blue, or coral faced with yellow over violet, are the combinations much applauded which it seemed foolish not to have mixed before.

The audience, the biggest at any Paris show, always includes admiring design peers and yesterday drew Claude Montana, Sonia Rykiel and Thierry Mugler as well as our own Jasper Conran.

Kicking off with new fox-edged leather or suede parkas over skinny jersey tunics, Saint Laurent softly seams in extra width to the shoulders of coats and stops them an inch or so above his short skirts, many of which are wrapped. A simple velvet band catches in the fullness of a sleeve at the cuff. His new print for silk blouses is a harlequin diamond pattern in vivid colour combinations.

Saint Laurent's draped little cocktail dresses are simply the most glamorous in Paris. It is the way he adds more gloss and exaggeration to their folds without losing any flattering slinkiness, and the way he knots or loops a generous bow on one hip, that his genius of technique wins the day.

Appearing one after another in heavy satin, in crepe and velvet, extra short or ankle-length, these are the numbers with which Saint Laurent will make a killing with his international clientele.

Health authority spending

Cash limits halt operations

By Jill Sherman, Social Services Correspondent

Efficient health authorities are having to stop treating patients on waiting lists to avoid breaking legal cash limits, the National Association of Health Authorities says in a report published today.

The association says patients are spending less time in hospital, but the extra number of cases treated has increased costs. Health authorities with the manpower and capacity to do more operations now have to let theatres lie empty because they cannot afford the extra costs of drugs and equipment to treat more patients.

Mr John Cook, the association's financial director, said yesterday: "A number of health authorities are getting more efficient but they say that they cannot do more without having more funds."

He cited Kidderminster's health authority, one of the most efficient in the country, which is using money intended for medical equipment and drugs to fund a £200,000 deficit caused by the Government's refusal fully to fund the doctors' and nurses' pay awards.

The association says that, apart from finding the £24 million needed to supplement the pay awards, health authorities will have to find a further £50 million if other health groups, who have already rejected a 4.5 per cent pay offer, settle for even 1 per cent more than the 3.75 per cent set for inflation.

The report, timed to put pressure on the Treasury as it considers bids from all departments for more spending, calls for expenditure on the health service to be increased in line with ministers' own growth targets.

The Department of Health and Social Security has estimated that at least 1 per cent growth is needed to keep up with demographic changes, a further 0.5 per cent for medical advances, and 0.5 per cent for priorities such as community care.

However, the health authorities argue that over recent years actual spending has fallen far short of those estimates. Its report says: "During the last four financial years Government spending averaged only 0.6 per cent above inflation, dropping to 0.3 per cent last year".

Aids quiz on insurance forms worries BMA

By Barbara Day

Plans to ask more detailed Aids-related questions of people applying for life insurance policies are "totally unacceptable" and could undermine the public education campaign, the British Medical Association said yesterday.

It was very worried that the new questions, which the Association of British Insurers is recommending its members use on proposal forms, could discourage people from seeking treatment and advice.

The questions are: "Have you ever been counselled or medically advised in connection with Aids or any sexually transmitted disease? Have you ever had an Aids blood test? If so, please give details."

The association said those answering "yes" would not automatically have their applications rejected or their premiums increased.

Since the introduction by most of the association's 425 member companies a year ago of a narrower question, which made no mention of counselling or other sexually transmitted diseases, an estimated £5 million has been paid out on 120 claims after Aids deaths.

● The Cabinet's special committee on Aids has decided to launch a new publicity campaign in early September aimed specifically at people who inject themselves with drugs after receiving serious new evidence that Aids is spreading quickly among drug addicts who share contaminated needles.

Change in purchase law sought

A change in the law to enable buyers of buildings or land to be fully compensated if the sellers cannot proceed with the sale because they have no right to do so is recommended today by the Law Commission (Our Legal Affairs Correspondent writes).

A court decision in 1775, known as "the rule in Bain v Fothergill", restricts the payment of damages to cover only wasted conveyancing costs. No consequential losess, such as loss of profit, are recoverable.

The Law Commmission says the rule, which is aimed at landed property, ought to be abolished. In all other broken contracts, the innocent party can recover all losses, provided that the defaulter knew or ought to have known that the losses could occur when the contract was made.

"The rule in Bain v Fothergill", which was reported in 1874, was considered by the Court of Appeal in a case earlier this year.

The judges were unanimously in favour of the commission's provisional view. One judge said: "It is not only anomalous and illogical. It is also unjust."

Transfer of Land — The Rule In Bain v Fothergill (Law Commission No 166, Stationery Office; £4.10).

BBC commissions outside producers

By Ruth Gledhill

BBC Television yesterday disclosed plans to broadcast more than 200 hours of programmes commissioned from independent producers.

Mr Michael Grade, director of programmes, described the package, costing £4.8 million, as a watershed in BBC history.

More than thirty production companies are being commissioned to supply about 44 programmes or series in the fields of drama, documentaries, arts and sport.

The 1987-88 package, representing a fraction of the 25 per cent of air time being demanded by the independent producers, is the first step towards the BBC's target of 600 hours of independent production by 1990.

Mr Grade said the growth in outside commissions would mean a cut in the BBC's staff. "At the end of the day, the BBC will be smaller than it is today."

The BBC had put emphasis on obtaining exclusive deals with some of the country's best independents in England and Wales. A six-figure sum had been held back from the package in the hope of attracting producers from Scotland and Northern Ireland.

The £4.8 million has been taken from the corporation's capital budget and is being used to commission 128 hours of the new programmes. Several hundred ideas were considered by BBC heads of departments before the final choice was made. Individual contracts are still being negotiated.

The independent producers' associations reacted cautiously to the scheme.

Mr John Woodward, coordinator of the Independent Access Steering Committee which has been negotiating on behalf of the producers, said: "There are a number of producers on this list who are still unsure as to what sort of deal they have done with the BBC."

● The Independent Broadcasting Association (IBA) is preparing a document to submit to the Home Office over the Government's request for 25 per cent of all television programmes to be supplied by independents.

The independent producers last week threatened to disassociate themselves from talks with the ITV companies because of fears that the companies were obstructing the Government's policy.

The IBA has denied that it is opposed to commissioning independent productions.

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New powers sought to end councils' cash ruses

By Martin Fletcher, Political Reporter

District auditors should be given the power to stop local authorities from entering potentially illegal "creative accountancy" schemes, the independent Audit Commission said yesterday.

Such schemes, which range from sale and leaseback arrangements to deferred purchase, raise cash and are designed to evade Whitehall spending controls. But they cause financial problems for the future.

Auditors have no power to act until after relevant accounts are produced. By that time it may be impossible to undo the damage, and if auditors instigate legal action against councils, as they did with Liverpool and Lambeth, they find themselves tied up in long and costly cases.

The Government has tried to end creative accountancy but on each occasion local authorities have discovered loopholes.

In January this year, the Audit Commission issued a report saying that mismanagement by eight Labour-run London councils threatened to plunge them into a multimillion pound financial crisis.

Mr Howard Davies, the commission's controller, said Haringey council in north London was generating £30 million of revenue through a technique involving interest rate swaps, but all the commission could do was issue a "public interest report" indicating the dangers.

Cases were still outstanding against four other London councils, Camden, Southwark, Islington and Hackney, which like Liverpool and Lambeth failed to set legal rates on time in 1985.

In a foreword to the Audit Commission's annual report published yesterday Mr David Cooksey, chairman, criticized many of the creative accountancy practices.

"These postdated cheques – sometimes for considerable sums – will have to be met eventually. In a few cases it is difficult to see how they can be without dramatic cutbacks of a kind which may threaten the authority's very existence", he said.

The commission was convinced that auditors had to have prospective as well as retrospective powers, and the recent Widdicombe inquiry into local government had agreed.

The commission's report also suggests the need for guidelines by which it would be possible to judge the long-term financial viability of local authorities.

Elsewhere the report says local authorities have so far achieved about £80 million of potential savings of £490 million through greater efficiency. This was an encouraging figure given the time it took to implement improvements.

Old hands of the stage pass on their knowledge

Actors and directors taking part in Midsummer in Oxford, a summer acting school at Balliol College run jointly by the British American Drama Academy and Yale University School of Drama. The school runs until August 9 and covers Chekhov, Shakespeare and other British drama. The teachers include David Jones, Prunella Scales, Brian Cox, Rosemary Harris, Valentina Yakunina, Oleg Yefremov and Timothy West (Photograph: Peter Trievnor)

Road deaths could be cut by a third, says report

Road deaths will be cut by a third by the year 2000 if a government road safety review published yesterday is successful (Our Motor Industry Correspondent writes).

Every year 5,000 people die in road accidents and more than 300,000 people are injured.

The report, published yesterday after almost four years of research, says its recommendations should reduce deaths and accidents by a third.

The greatest gains in road safety will come from improvements in vehicle engineering. Particular effort will be made to reduce casualties among pedestrians, cyclists and motor-cyclists.

Human error is the prime cause of 75 per cent of all road accidents and £3 million is to spent on a new research programme into road use behaviour. However the Government intends to reduce its £5.8 million annual budget for nationwide road safety promotion as it is not "demonstrably cost effective in casualty reduction."

The biggest reduction in casualties is expected to come from improved car safety. Favourable public opinion would make it possible for the use of rear seat belts to be made mandatory.

The report recommends the introduction of cars with "pedestrian friendly" fronts that have softer and more rounded bumpers and bonnets to reduce injuries.

The number of cyclists killed or seriously injured has increased by 23 per cent in the past two decades compared with a 17 per cent reduction for car occupants.

Police yesterday indicated that "back calculating" the amount of alcohol consumed by drivers would not be a regular policy.

This comes after a ruling by two High Court judges that police can back-calculate the amount of alcohol taken by a driver in spite of the length of delay between an alleged driving offence and a drink test.

Lawyers representing the motorist whose case brought the ruling on back calculation said yesterday they will seek leave to appeal to the House of Lords.

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Secrecy judge in call for tribunal

By Richard Wigg

Sir Nicolas Browne-Wilkinson, senior judge of the Chancery Division, has proposed the setting up of a new independent tribunal to resolve conflicts between the British Press and the Government over who decides what is in the national interest.

The Vice-Chancellor of the supreme court, who gave an earlier judgement in the *Spycatcher* case that contempt proceedings could not be brought against newspapers, suggested the organization should be tripartite and presided over by a judge.

The other members should be a journalist and either a Civil Servant or a lay member.

Sir Nicolas was taking part in a week-long seminar on "Law and the Media" held at this year's summer school of Spain's International Menendez Pelayo University at Santander.

He said the "crucial question" facing many democratic governments and the media was to balance the public interest in security matters with other interests such as freedom of the Press.

Protests on the press situation in Britain were voiced by Mr Peter Preston, editor of *The Guardian* and Mr Jonathan Fenby, of *The Independent*.

Sir Nicolas said the tribunal would have to deliberate in secret, deliver decisions within three days of a referral, and without appeal. The court had not appreciated the need of the Press for quick decisions.

The burden would be on the State to prove an embargo was in the general interest.

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Charity fraud

The big business with too few rules

By Mark Ellis

Police can detect only the "tip of the iceberg" in cases of charity fraud because of a lack of accounting records.

The Government will soon be considering plans to give the Charity Commission more power, but there is still concern about the scale of charity abuse.

Charities are big business, with incomes of more than £10 billion a year, assets of £2.5 billion, and tax privileges worth a similar amount. With such large sums involved and sizeable administrations, detectives compare the frustration and frequent dismay of inquiries into charities with those into commercial companies. But that is where the similarities end.

Unlike directors of companies, charities can have trustees who are discharged bankrupts or people with criminal records, and they do not have to submit annual audited accounts. Investigators face a welter of unverifiable financial records which would prove an accountant's nightmare.

Police say that it is impossible to quantify the level of crime among the 200,000 charities, but they fear some are "cold charities" set up just for fraud and in other cases criminals hide behind a camouflage of respectable, even titled trustees, who are unaware of the cheating.

The last big piece of charity legislation was The Charities Act 1960, which said that all charities must maintain accounts and that some must submit them annually. But there is no set format and no requirement that they are audited.

The National Audit Office presented a critical report to Parliament last month which blamed poor accounting records for contributing to police difficulties in prosecuting in cases of abuse.

It also said that the low level of submission of accounts to the Charity Commission prevented any monitoring to check their proper preparation, the reasonableness of costs or the identification of dormant funds.

Mr Denis Peach, the Chief Charity Commissioner, said: "We can only examine a fraction of the accounts. To do otherwise would require an army of staff. We are not an altogether toothless body, but sanctions are difficult to enforce."

The Government will soon be considering the findings of the Cabinet Office's Efficiency Unit, which recommends legislation to give the Charity Commission new powers to wind up a charity and transfer its property to another, to deregister charities failing to submit accounts, and to bar people convicted of fraud from serving as trustees.

V&A's art may move to old mill

By Charles Knevitt
Architecture Correspondent

The Indian Collection of the Victoria and Albert Museum could move to West Yorkshire in the early 1990s.

Sir Roy Strong, the director, and Mrs Elizabeth Esteve-Coll, director-designate, have visited Salt's Mill near Bradford and they are to tell Lord Carrington, chairman of the V & A's trustees, that the idea would work. A feasibility study is likely to be commissioned in the autumn.

Mr Jonathan Silver, a young Bradford entrepreneur who recently acquired the famous textile mill at Saltaire, has offered to house the department, which would be renamed The South Asian Collection, in part of the 750,000 sq ft complex which closed last year.

Sir Roy said: "There would be a display of South Asian arts and crafts, with an emphasis on crafts".

He praised the "vision and drive" of Mr Silver in buying Salt's Mill, built in the Italianate style by Sir Titus Salt in the 1850s. "It will be a splendid move if we can make it happen and the sooner the better", he said.

Nature council attacked

By Kerry Gill

The Nature Conservancy Council has come under renewed attack over its designation of 20,000 acres as a site of special scientific interest on Islay, off the west coast of Scotland.

The move means that practically all the Rinns of Islay — a large peninsula on the island's Atlantic seaboard — now lies under the control of the council.

Mr Robin Currie, chairman of the Crofters' Union on Islay, said yesterday: "It is ridiculous. The council just seems to want a museum covered by a few crofts and under their control".

Mr Currie's objections are shared by several public bodies including Argyll and Bute District Council, the Highlands and Islands Development Board, and the local community council. All want the conservancy council's powers curbed.

Last week the council was criticized over its demand that all future tree planting should be banned in the Flow Country in Caithness and Sutherland. Mr Sandy Kerr, of the council's South-west Scotland headquarters, said it was the council's responsibility to identify areas of special scientific interest.

Jail crisis leads to 400-mile trips for remand prisoners

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

Remand prisoners awaiting trial in London courts are making round journeys of 400 miles to be held overnight at police cells in Devon.

The action is being taken to ease severe overcrowding in the capital's jails and police cells.

Chief Inspector Andrew Gow said yesterday: "We had 12 remand prisoners from London last night at Crownhill police station, Plymouth, and we have been asked to accommodate up to 24".

He said all those held were being dealt with by London courts.

The Home Office said last night: "It is a costly business and not a practice the Home Office likes pursuing, but when the Metropolitan Police have exhausted all possible space in London police cells they have to look elsewhere.

"Gradually the search for space is taking them further and further afield."

It added: "The Home Secretary has made it quite clear he does not regard the holding of remand prisoners in police cells as satisfactory.

"The facilities often leave much to be desired, despite the best efforts of the police, and obviously the use of cells for this purpose does place an unwelcome burden on the police."

The annual report of the Board of Visitors at Holloway prison today described as "appalling" the conditions in which women are held in police cells.

"They are in cells designed for a period of hours not weeks. They are almost always in artificial light with no access to fresh air.

"There is a lack of privacy. Facilities for bathing are almost non-existent. There is no way clothes can be properly laundered.

"There is no furniture. There is nowhere to store property. There is no opportunity for exercise. They are frequently not allowed visits. There is no oversight by a board of visitors.

"Although the majority of the women 'locked out' are on remand, there have been women who have served their entire sentences in subterranean cells without actually seeing daylight for several weeks.

"We are particularly concerned that women who are remanded for medical reports often do not reach the prison in time for the reports to be prepared because they have been locked out."

Mr Jeffrey Bayes, board chairman last year, said yesterday: "There were 98 women in police cells on one night this week".

Docklands link to be copied widely

By Rodney Cowton, Transport Correspondent

The opening by the Queen today of the Docklands Light Railway is likely to mark the start of a new phase in public transport in the United Kingdom, even if it is beginning unpropitiously with a delay of two or three weeks before it is open to the public.

Local authorities and passenger transport authorities throughout Britain are looking to light railways, which are a cross between a train and a tram, to ease the movement of people around cities and conurbations. In the autumn Parliament is expected to consider Bills seeking approval for schemes in places such as London, Avon, and Manchester. Other schemes in the West Midlands, South and West Yorkshire, Southampton and elsewhere could be seeking parliamentary approval a year or two later.

The experience in some continental cities is that while buses are losing traffic, light railways attract it. Their key advantage is that for much of their journey they run on segregated track, isolated from road traffic, and can offer a more regular, reliable and speedy service.

Many systems will make considerable use of existing railway track, but some will also run partly on other segregated track or on track on roads. Street-running, as this is known, impairs the principle of segregating light rail from road traffic, but it is possible to operate traffic lights to give trams precedence.

The Docklands Light Railway is fully automatic, but any light railway running partly on roads has by law to be manually operated, and most schemes are looking for more conventional technology. It was revealing that when consultants looked at ways to link central London and Heathrow Airport they found that the 17-mile route was not long enough to benefit greatly from the high speeds which advanced technology offered.

London Regional Transport and British Rail are looking at a number of possibilities to extend or fill in the existing transport network. In Manchester a project would, among other things, provide cross-city links for surburban services coming in from the North and South, while in Southampton there are plans for a 15 mph monorail system running on a concrete track some 20 ft above the traffic. The idea there is to move people around the city rather than bring them in and out of it.

Many schemes are related to large property redevelopment areas. Southampton's plans are attracting interest from the City of London, and a light railway proposed in Avon is intended to be financed entirely by private funds. It is a scheme which Mr Richard Cottrell, Conservative Euro MP for Bristol, and Mr Brian Tucker, an architect, have had in mind for about eight years and plan to present to Parliament this autumn.

They hope it will provide a commuter route linking Bristol with Weston-super-Mare and Bath, as well as running through the Bristol centre to other outlying areas.

Settle line 'not to be privatized'

By Ronald Faux

The Government does not intend to privatize the threatened Settle to Carlisle line, according to a Conservative MP who is campaigning to save the rail route.

Mr Robert Adley, MP for Christchurch, said the rumours were rubbish. He said that only a marriage of private and public resources would ensure a future for the line.

The 72-mile Settle to Carlisle route is recognized as one of the most scenic railway lines in the country but some of its viaducts are in need of expensive repair. Conservationists have accused British Rail of deliberately neglecting and down-grading the line to speed its closure.

Mr Adley, a railway enthusiast, said the most effective move would be for the Government to refuse British Rail permission to close the line. At the same time British Rail would have to be persuaded not to charge the Department of Transport for keeping the line open.

A limited company formed from enthusiasts and interested parties could then operate the line in close association with British Rail in a scheme that fell short of privatization.

He said: "The important point is that once the line is no longer nationalized the company would have access to funds from the EEC and the Manpower Services Commission which are not available now".

Mr Adley said what was required was a marriage of convenience between the private and public sectors.

The Norrington Table

University College goes top

By Peter Mulligan

University College is back at the top of the "league table" of Oxford colleges after the announcement of this year's degree results.

Its move to the head of the Norrington Table, a measure of academic performance, means the demotion of St John's to second place after four years.

For the past decade, the two colleges have dominated the table which, although attracting scepticism from some dons, is keenly watched by schools, employers and potential students.

Dr Christopher Pelling, tutor for admissions at University College, said yesterday: "We try to pick winners. It was an extremely active and pleasing year."

The table is calculated by allocating points for different classes of degree and then expressing results as a percentage of the maximum possible score.

This year there are some striking changes. Balliol has fallen from ninth to seventeenth place. Christchurch, frequently to be found in the lower ranks, has risen to third.

Brasenose, Corpus and Lincoln have each fallen by more than 10 places while Pembroke, Queen's, Wadham's and Worcester have gone up 10.

The percentage of classes awarded shows that academic standards at the university continue to rise. First class degrees rose to 15.4 per cent, from 13.9 per cent last year, and thirds dropped to 5.8 per cent, from 8.4.

As in the past, the women's and former women's colleges are near the bottom of the table.

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Position	College	Points	Max poss	%	Degree results			
					1	2:1	2:2	3
1(6)	University	330	505	65.3	23	60	17	1
2(1)	St John's	316	495	63.8	22	55	19	3
3(10)	Christ Church	384	605	63.5	28	62	27	4
4(15)	Worcester	265	420	63.1	18	47	15	4
5(16)	Wadham	333	530	62.8	22	58	23	3
6(2)	Merton	232	370	62.7	18	34	18	4
7(13)	Magdalen	338	540	62.6	21	64	18	5
8(22)	Jesus	261	420	62.1	17	44	21	2
9(17)	Keble	357	585	61.0	24	57	30	6
10(12)	New College	313	520	60.2	19	54	25	6
10(23)	Queen's	256	425	60.2	17	42	19	7
12(4)	Exeter	246	410	60.0	14	43	22	3
13(8)	Hertford	308	520	59.2	18	54	24	8
14(25)	Pembroke	239	405	59.0	14	41	20	6
15(3)	Corpus Christi	170	290	58.6	7	34	16	1
16(18)	Oriel	261	450	58.0	11	53	21	5
17(9)	Balliol	263	455	57.8	14	45	26	6
18(5)	Lincoln	222	385	57.7	10	42	21	4
19(14)	St Edmund Hall	279	490	56.9	13	54	21	10
20(21)	Lady Marg Hall	306	540	56.7	12	58	34	4
20(11)	Trinity	187	330	56.7	7	37	19	3
22(7)	Brasenose	270	490	55.1	11	49	30	8
23(19)	St Catherine's	350	645	54.3	14	60	45	10
24(28)	Somerville	266	495	53.7	7	51	37	4
25(26)	St Hugh's	265	500	53.0	9	47	35	9
26(27)	St Hilda's	270	515	52.4	7	52	35	9
27(19*)	St Anne's	301	575	52.3	8	58	38	11
28(24)	St Peter's	207	410	50.5	5	38	29	10
Total					410	1,393	705	156

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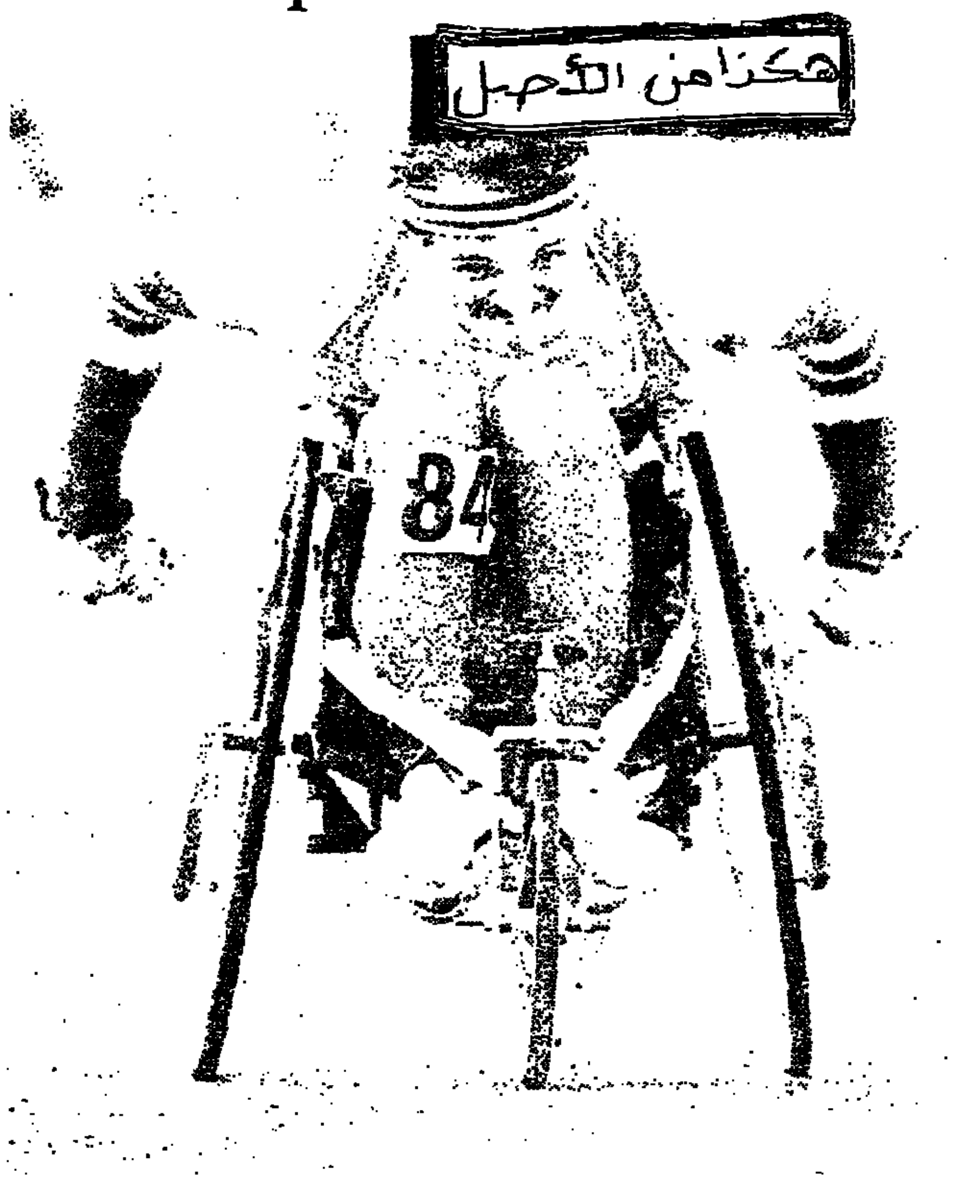

Eye on the line, hand on the wheel: Paul Clarke of Canada breaking the 5,000 metres world paraplegic record at the World Wheelchair games at Stoke Mandeville yesterday.It was his second world record of the day, having won the 400 metres final.In both races Clarke, aged 29, an eye doctor from Terrace, British Columbia, Canada, beat Chris Hallam, of Cardiff, who won the wheelchair section of this year's London Marathon, into second place.

They meet again in Sunday's marathon. Despite worrying about how an arm, broken last September, would stand the stress, Clarke achieved another world record in his 1,500 metres heat on Tuesday and goes confidently into today's final.

(Photograph: Hugh Routledge)

Lords urge ban on use of toxic imports

By John Winder

Britain should end the import of materials containing toxins that have been largely banned from use in this country, a House of Lords committee said yesterday.

The European Communities select committee recommends the elimination of aldrin, dieldrin and endrin, a group which it calls the "drins".

It recommends the import ban because drins in waste water from wool treatment factories are said to originate from fleeces imported from countries where drins are still in use.

The report consists of correspondence between ministers and the committee on a range of topics and includes a letter from Lord Nathan, chairman of the sub-committee that considered an EEC directive to impose restrictions on the discharge of drins.

In a letter to Mr William Waldegrave, Minister of State for the Environment, he says: "We do not believe that this country should import pollution when it has itself already phased out the use of drins in sheep dip and textile manufacture".

● Anglers caught using lead weights while fishing in the area covered by the Anglian Water Authority face a fine of £1,000.

The restriction has been imposed because of the threat to wildlife created by careless anglers throwing away unwanted tackle. The authority said yesterday that it was particularly concerned about the increasing number of swans being killed through lead poisoning after swallowing weights. Anglers are being urged to use non-toxic weights instead.

Rate rise of 62% is upheld by court

Ratepayers yesterday lost their challenge in the High Court to a 62 per cent rate rise imposed by their borough council.

The action group which went to court over the rise was ordered to pay the estimated £100,000 costs of the action.

Two judges upheld the legality of the rate passed by the Labour-controlled authority in Waltham Forest, which makes it the most highly rated borough in London.

Lord Justice Glidewell sitting with Mr Justice Schiemann rejected a claim by the Waltham Forest Ratepayers Action Group that the rate decision was taken absurdly, illegally and unreasonably.

Lord Justice Glidewell said he accepted the rate would be a great burden on ratepayers and may cause problems to future finances in the borough but it could not be said the decision was irrational.

Looking at the evidence it was not possible to infer that the councillors had not had regard to their duty to ratepayers when voting for the rise.

He said the evidence was that several councillors had voted for the rise contrary to their personal beliefs. But he doubted whether that would render the decision invalid.

He accepted it was common for such a show of unity in all political groups and he could not accept their discretion had been improperly fettered by political considerations.

The judges rejected the group's claim that consultation required by law before the rate was passed was a charade. They ordered the group to pay the costs of the action.

Outside court a spokesman for the action group said they would consider an appeal.

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German 'hero' admits his lies

Bonn — Herr Mathias Niesse, the Social Democrat mayor of the Nippes district of Cologne, has been fined £2,500 after admitting that his claim to have rescued a Jewish couple *from the Nazi* Holocaust was a lie (John England writes).

Herr Niessen's tale, told and re-told in city pubs for years, was that while a young pilot with the Luftwaffe in occupied France, he flew to a prison camp near Cologne to rescue the couple. He got the camp guards drunk, cut through a barbed wire fence and smuggled the doctor and his wife out of the camp in stolen German Army uniforms. Israel awarded him the Yad Vashem medal for saving Jews from the Nazis.

His story landed him in court after he gave evidence *in* a trial in Cologne in 1985 on Nazi persecution of Jews. Doubts arose about it, and the public prosecutor checked documents which showed that the Grüneberg*s had gone underground* on their own during the war until they were liberated by American troops. In court, the fallen hero apologized for his fantasy and said *he would return his medal. Herr Niessen*, aged 63, was ordered to pay his fine to the Cologne Society for Jewish-Christian Co-operation.

Moscow lets 89 go

Sydney (Reuter) — The Soviet Union has agreed to allow 89 people, mostly Jews, *to emigrate to Australia* to join relatives, a Foreign Ministry spokesman *said here* yesterday. The 89 were on a list of 124 names presented by the Prime Min*ister, Mr Bob Hawke*, to Mr Eduard Shevardnadze, the Soviet Foreign Minister, when he visited Australia in March, the spokesman said.

He added that he did not know when the 89 people would arrive, but said that *Australia* would urge Moscow also to allow the remaining 35 on the list to *join their families*

"The Soviet action is a clear indication that (Moscow) wants to improve relations with Australia," he said.

US Rights Bill found

Washington — *A handwritten* copy of the Bill of Rights, drafted in 1789 while *the first US Congress met in* New York, has been found pasted in the back of a book in the Library of Congress (Michael Binyon writes).

The four-page document, which was never printed in the official annals of Congress or published elsewhere, was written by Representative, later Senator, Roger Sherman, a judge in Connecticut, who served with Thomas Jefferson and Benjamin Franklin on the committee that drafted the Declaration of Independence.

Mr James Hutson, chief of the library's manuscript division, called the document one of the most exciting finds in years.

Quick flying lesson

New York — A Long Island woman who had never had a flying lesson landed a small aircraft safely with ground instructions after her husband died at the controls (Charles Bremner writes). Mrs Elizabeth Mohr, 62, was with her husband in his single-engine Piper Cherokee on Monday when he collapsed soon after they set off from Groton-New London, Connecticut.

She radioed the Groton tower and a controller told her what to do.

Asians off to work

Ottawa — Two bus-loads of Asian immigrants were on their way to Toronto from Halifax yesterday, 2½ weeks after being landed clandestinely on the Nova Scotia *shore by a freighter, Amelie*, flying the Costa Rican flag (John Best writes).

The 92, who had been held at Halifax, are claiming refugee status. They will be able to find work in Toronto while awaiting their hearings. Another 75 were expected to leave Halifax at any time for Vancouver, but seven are being detained, most of them apparently for security reasons.

Cheetah jet crashes

Johannesburg — A Cheetah jet fighter, the South African Air Force's most modern home-built strike aircraft, crashed yesterday morning near the Hoedspruit airbase *in the north-eastern Trans*vaal (Michael Hornsby writes).

The chief of the SAAF, Lieutenant-General Denis Earp, said the aircraft was on a routine training flight from its base at Pietersburg, 100 miles north-west of Hoedspruit.

Both pilots ejected safely. A board of inquiry will be set up to determine the causes of the crash.

Huston in hospital

Fall River, Massachusetts (AP) — The Oscar-winning director, John Huston, was in a stable condition yesterday after being taken to hospital by ambulance for treatment of emphysema, a spokeswoman for the Charlton Memorial Hospital said.

Mr Huston, who turns 81 on August 5, was taken to hospital on Tuesday while en route to a filming session for his latest film, *Mr North*. He was admitted for complications of his emphysema, the hospital said.

OAU summit troubles

Time for whisky and champagne

From A Correspondent, Addis Ababa

The Organization of African Unity summit in the Ethiopian capital ended here last night with the adoption of more than 30 predictable *resolutions appealing* for more aid, condemning apartheid and demanding the imposition *of mandatory* sanctions on South Africa.

It may, however, achieve a comic reputation akin to Evelyn Waugh's description of the coronation of Emperor Haile Selassie in the same city over 50 years before.

What the assembled *foreign* journalists did not expect was that the summit would effectively be closed to them. After four news agency reporters were allowed into the chamber for the opening session on Monday, it was discovered that the seats reserved for the rest had been taken by Ethiopian journalists and diplomats. One of the four was then manhandled out of his seat by UN security *personnel*.

There followed a scene reminiscent of an English football match as more than 200 journalists, with television cameramen to the fore, attempted to fight their way up a staircase past a handful of obstinate policemen. There was no fighting for the next two days, but no easier access *either*.

Most journalists took the philosophical attitude that they would either be able to watch the proceedings on *closed-circuit television* or receive copies of the speeches. They were wrong on both counts.

What was presumed to be closed-circuit television provided endless repeats of the presentation by the Norwegian Prime Minister, Mrs Gro Harlem Brundtland, of the report of the World Commission on Environment and Development. This was *watched* with interest by motorcycle outriders waiting to take the Presidents to a *banquet*.

We were not entirely unsuccessful, however. We did *find out that most condemned* apartheid in South Africa. It was eventually found out that *the resolution on Africa's debt* — $200 billion (£125 billion), or nearly four times export earnings — had refrained from making any specific recommendation on repayment.

Hard-bitten as reporters are supposed to be, most were amazed by the apparent indifference of many of the delegates to the plight of a continent's people. Those who survived the devastating famine are only just recovering. Many are now suffering from an equally devastating decline in prices for Africa's predominantly *agricultural* exports. Most will probably continue to suffer from their governments' *profligate* spending.

Among the scenes observed by correspondents — perhaps as a result *of their enforced* absence from most of the proceedings — was chilled champagne being wheeled to a delegate's room at 10.30 in the morning and crates of whisky being loaded into delegates' Mercedes. The duty-free shop *at the* Africa Hall, built by Haile Selassie and dedicated to the service of the African peoples, was one of the most active in the world this week.

Thatcher backs demand for sanctions on Iran

From Diana Geddes, Paris

Mrs Thatcher yesterday gave qualified support to Iraqi pressure for mandatory UN sanctions against Iran for its alleged failure to respond *to international calls for a ceasefire* in the Gulf war.

***Commenting on Iraq's call for* a new session of the Security Council to consider Iran's failure to respect *last week's resolution on a ceasefire*, Mrs Thatcher said yesterday that Britain had made it clear that, if it *was not honoured, Britain* was prepared to adopt mandatory sanctions on arms sales.**

However, she said, it was all a question of timing. Britain did not yet *feel that* Iran's rejection of the resolution was absolute, and was still waiting to see whether the United Nations Secretary-General, Señor Pérez de Cuéllar, could bring about a ceasefire.

If those efforts failed, Britain would feel it was time to return to the Security Council to get sanctions adopted, she said.

Mrs Thatcher was *speaking at a* press conference after talks with M Jacques Chirac, the French Prime Minister. M Chirac said he shared Mrs Thatcher's point of view on the ceasefire resolution.

The French aircraft carrier task force, which has been on standby in Toulon since last Sunday, is due to sail today.

*The order came after talks be*tween President Mitterrand and M Chirac, as the crisis between France and Iran remained in deadlock 12 days after France broke off diplomatic relations with Iran.

M Jean-Bernard Raimond, the French Foreign Minister, reported to yesterday's Cabinet meeting that there was "no new development" despite Monday's formalization of an agreement for Pakistan to look after Iran's interests in Paris and for Italy to look after France's interests in Tehran.

French and Iranian diplomats remain blockaded in their respective *embassies in Tehran and Paris*, while France continues to refuse to compromise on the issue of Mr Wahid Gordji, the unofficial number two at the Iranian Embassy, who is wanted for questioning about suspected involvement in last year's bombing campaign in Paris.

The task force consists of the 30,000-ton aircraft carrier Clémenceau, *equipped with 40 fighter air*craft including 20 Super-Etendards capable of carrying Exocet missiles; two *frigates, Suffren and Duquesne*, equipped with missile launchers; and a supply ship, Meuse.

The French Navy already has three other ships in the Gulf area: two escort vessels, the Victor-Schoelcher and the Protet, armed with Exocet missiles; and a command vessel, Marne.

Angry Sri Lanka mobs ignore curfew as Gandhi signs accord

Pact offers the Tamils more autonomy

***From Vijitha Yapa* Colombo**

The agreement signed between President Jayewardene of Sri Lanka and the Indian Prime Minister, Mr Rajiv Gandhi, yesterday in Colombo is designed to merge the Northern and Eastern provinces of the island into one regional council, and give greater autonomy to the Tamil inhabitants.

But the Sinhalese people, who see the agreement as the first step towards establishing a separate Tamil state, feel the *Sri Lankan Government* has given in to Indian pressure.

The pact seeks to preserve the unity, sovereignty and territorial integrity of Sri Lanka and says that the people of the Eastern Province will have to decide at a referendum to be held on or before December 31, 1988, whether they want to continue with the propsed merger.

But the agreement contains a provision for the Sri Lanka President to postpone the referendum. The elections to provincial councils will be held before the end of this year.

The State of Emergency which has been in force in Sri Lanka since March 1983 will be lifted in the Northern and Eastern provinces by August 15. An amnesty will be granted to all political prisoners held under the Prevention of Terrorism Act, as well as Tamil guerrillas. India, if requested by Sri Lanka, will *give military assistance* to implement the proposals.

The Home Guards in the Eastern Province will be disbanded. There is provision for an Indian peacekeeping contingent to arrive in Sri Lanka at the invitation of the President to guarantee and enforce a cessation of hostilities.

Mr Rajiv Gandhi, left, and President Jayewardene in jovial mood at a press conference after signing the accord in Colombo.

India has agreed to deport any Sri Lankan citizen found to be engaging in terrorist activities and advocating separatism.

President Jayewardene said the sudden change of mind and the speed with which it all *happened in the month of* July was due to the influence of "the stars and the planets".

He threatened to dissolve Parliament if the Bill to establish the new council in the north and east is not approved by MPs.

Mr Gandhi denied that India had enforced its will on Sri Lanka. "*President* Jayewardene showed tremendous courage and statesmanship in coming forward with his proposal." Mr Gandhi was confident thatthe main guerrilla group, the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, would *agree to the proposal*. He said the main question in their minds now would be over *their security*. "*I feel they will* come along," he said.

The state visit of Mr Gandhi was marked by a 41-hour curfew and there were no ordinary people to greet him and wave flags. Soon after his arrival, police had to resort to force to keep out thousands of people who were trying to *enter the city, shouting* slogans asking the President to resign and not to sign the pact.

Two people were shot dead at Wellawawtte, only six miles *from the President's house*. Twenty-two others were injured in the shooting, adding toTuesday's tally of 22 dead and 120 injured by police gunfire in Colombo.

Angry mobs burnt municipal council offices, magistrates' courts, government buildings, buses, trains, and a government supermarket.

At one point tear gas was dropped *from helicopters* to control the mob.

State radio repeatedly warned that curfew violators would be shot on sight, but many people ignored the broadcasts and congregated in the streets of suburban Colombo.

The leader of the Opposition, Mr Amura Bandaranaike, in a letter to Mr Rajiv Gandhi, said: "The people of Sri Lanka are vehemently opposed to the accord you are going to sign today. Hardly 24 hours ago 20 people were brutally massacred by the police and hundreds injured. They were peacefully demonstrating against the proposed accord.

"What you are about to do today is the greatest betrayal of my country".

● **DELHI:** The Indian Parliament was adjourned in uproar for the second consecutive day yesterday as opp*osition members tried to press* their case against the Government's handling of the Swedish arms scandal (Our Correspondent writes).

Opposition members of the Lok Sabha, or lower house, said that they would boycott sessions for the rest of the week.

In the upper house, Mr P. Radhakrishna of Telegu Desam, the largest opposition party, was suspended for a week for carrying a sign into Parliament yesterday reading "Rajiv Gandhi is a CIA agent."

The trouble began on Tuesday when opposition members tried to introduce a motion criticizing Mr Rajiv Gandhi and his ruling Congress (I) Party for their earlier statements on the case. There have been allegations that *more than $50 million (£37.5* million) in illegal payments and commissions were paid to lure India to purchase $1.4 billion worth of artillery from Bofors AB of Sweden.

Beatles sue over use of song as TV jingle

From Charles Bremner New York

Ageing American "baby-boomers" gave a cheer yesterday after the surviving Beatles brought an action in New York against Nike Inc., the sportswear manufacturer, claiming that it improperly used their song *Revolution* as a jingle in recent television commercials.

"The Beatles never authorized the use of that song," said Mr Leonard Marks, lawyer for Paul McCartney, George Harrison, Ringo Starr and Yoko Ono, the widow of John Lennon, the fourth Beatle. "They don't sing jingles to sell *sneakers or panty-hose or any* other product."

When they appeared some *months* ago, Nike's striking black-and-white television commercials unleashed a howl of protest from former Flower Children now in the business of writing newspaper columns.

The abuse of the 1960s anthem was seen by *many* as the last straw in the process of trivializing an era that many Americans now moving into positions of power hold in near-religious reverence. Madison Avenue had already appropriated lesser 1960s icons, such as Peter, Paul and Mary, but using the Beatles proved too much.

Nike bought the rights to *Revolution*, a Lennon song that mocks the ideas of the *marijuana Marxists* of the time, for $250,000 (£155,000) from Capitol, the American *subsidiary of the British* company, EMI.

Nothing was paid to the Beatles, who broke up 16 years ago, or their former company, Apple Corps. Yoko Ono and the remaining members of the Fab Four are already deep in litigation with the record company in New York over royalties and other rights in their *early works*.

"None of the defendants ever sought or obtained Apple Corps's permission or consent to the use of the good will and persona of the Beatles in the Nike TV commercial and advertising campaign," papers filed in the Manhattan Supreme Court said.

Mr Marks said the legal action was a warning *that* said "advertisers, beware. If you start using Beatles' recordings to promote and endorse your products, the Beatles are going to sue you ... John Lennon did not write jingles. They recorded it because it was a *serious political statement* about the 60s."

Meese's 'sad story of lying and deceit'

From Michael Binyon, Washington

Mr Edwin Meese, the Attorney-General, resumed his testimony to the Iran-Contra *committee yesterday after* leading Democrats said the picture he and other witnesses *had painted was one of confu*sion, lying, deceit and a calling on sleazy outsiders to formulate and implement foreign policy. Mr Meese handled intial White House investigation of the Iran arms diversion last November.

"This is not the way to run government," Senator Daniel Inouye, the Democratic chairman of the Senate investigating committee, said on television.

While praising Mr Meese for having done "exceedingly well" in his testimony on Monday, Senator Inouye said: "It is a sad story that is now unfolding, to realize that the chief law enforcement officer of the US, the Attorney-General, was not being fully apprised of what was happening."

He added: "This was a rather dangerous chapter in the history of the United States, a secret government outside the Government, lying and deceiving, keeping information away from the President and the Secretary of State." He said that, if the facts revealed were upheld, the White House staff was not loyal and supporting President Reagan.

Mr Inouye strongly backed a contention by Mr George Shultz, the Secretary of State, that intelligence-gathering and policy-making should be kept separate. "As long as those in charge of the intelligence-gathering are the ones who set the policy, then God save America."

Asked whether the question of *what did the President* know and when did he know it had been answered, Senator *Inouye said*: "Well, *no one* will ever know, but I would say that, according to the evidence we have received, the President did not know. But as I have indicated in the past, the picture that we will present to the people of the US obviously will have a few missing pieces. One of the more important witnesses can never be heard from, and that is Mr Casey (the late CIA director).

"Documents have been shredded, documents have been altered, and documents have been destroyed, and apparently there are many witnesses who have great difficulty in recalling. So, when you combine all of this, obviously we will have a few missing pieces."

Mr Lee Hamilton, Democratic chairman of the House committee, was harsher in his judgement of Mr Meese, saying he and other committee members wondered about the vigour of the "fact-finding and investigation" that Mr Meese conducted. He said that when a President appoints a very close friend to be Attorney-General, as several had done, it created a conflict.

COMMENTARY

Geoffrey Smith

Mr George Shultz is about to join Colonel Oliver North as one of the two folk heroes of Irangate, to judge from much *of the comment after* his appearances before the special congressional committee. If so, *that is a tribute to Ameri*can sentiment rather than to American judgement.

It was no doubt refreshing to find a witness who could give straightforward answers about his conduct and thinking without a lawyer whispering in his ear. *Here was a decent*, anguished and apparently simple man, properly worried about *policies which left too many of* his colleagues undisturbed.

That gave a pleasing impression of Mr Shultz as a person to the committee, *to* many commentators and to a number of others who watched or read about the proceedings. *But it was less impressive as a* record of his stewardship as Secretary of State.

Administration in shambles

Here was one of the most senior members of President Reagan's Cabinet giving a vivid portrayal of an Administration in shambles, while appearing both to wring and wash his hands at the same time. He had neither insisted *upon exercising the influence* expected of a Secretary of State in determining a critical aspect of *foreign policy, nor* satisfied himself that the policy made by others was acceptable.

Every now and then he made ineffectual efforts to resign, being talked out of it without securing sufficient support from the President on policy. The only reasonable interpretation of Mr Shultz's own testimony is that the United States was negotiating an arms-for-hostages deal because Mr Reagan was willing to have one.

Mr Shultz and Mr Wein*berger made their objections*. The President listened, was apparently "rather annoyed", and then disregarded them. Mr Shultz thought that they had made "a real dent", but evidently they had not. Yet he remains in office.

The only possible justification for his doing so is that after his testimony he will now *exercise an exceptional au*thority within the Administration. But will he? That is the question which *will tease all* those governments which have to conduct foreign policy with the United States.

It is, to be fair, the question that they ought to ask themselves about every Secretary of State. These hearings have illustrated in unusually dramatic form one of the perennial truths of American gov*ernment*: that a *person's* influence on foreign policy cannot be determined simply *from the office he holds in the* executive.

The making of American foreign policy suffers from two principal handicaps. The importance of the separation of powers between Congress and the President, which has also been *demonstrated* in these hearings, is more widely appreciated. But the looseness of American *bureaucratic* procedures is particularly baffling to other governments.

The uncertainty of these procedures has been especially evident over the past quarter of a century in the repeated struggles for power between *the Secretary of State and the* President's National Security Adviser. Sometimes one has been *the dominant influence*, sometimes the other.

Sometimes, as when Mr Cyrus Vance was President Carter's Secretary of State and Mr Zbigniew Brzezinski was the National Security Adviser, the battle is never resolved. Sometimes, as throughout most of Mr Reagan's time in office, there

No influence is dominant

***is no dominant influence* unless the President himself has expressed strong wishes — *which Mr Reagan has done*.**

Sometimes *an official* has an authority far in excess of what would be expected from the office he holds. That was true of Mr Richard Perle, who was Assistant Secretary of Defence until a few months ago.

It would be much easier for other governments if Ameri*can bureaucratic procedure* were tightened up. But all they can do is to take full account of the reality, which differs from one administration to another. Mr Shultz's testimony has shown how it is possible to hold high office without speaking for the Administration.

Knowledge of arms shipments to Iran denied

A partial text of the testimony of Mr Edwin Meese, the Attorney-General, to the congressional hearings in Washington on Tuesday.

Mr John Nields (committee counsel): In August and September 1985 and then again in November 1985, Israel made certain shipments of weapons to Iran. Did you have any knowledge of either of those shipments at the time?

Mr Meese: I have no recollection whatsoever of having any knowledge of those shipments at the time.

There was a finding drafted by the CIA ... on November 25, 1985, which was eventually signed, according to the *testimony* of Admiral Poindexter (the former National Security Adviser), on December 5, 1985. Were you consulted *in any way in connection with that* finding?

No. I was not ... I had no knowledge of it at the time.

Your first knowledge of the so-called *initiative involving arms sales to Iran* came in January, 1986?

That is correct.

... Was Colonel North (Admiral Poindexter's former aide) definite and assertive about the version of facts that he was relating at the meeting on the afternoon of November 20?

Colonel North is assertive about most things. But I don't (think) he was particularly vehement about it ...

Did it at least cross your mind ... *that you might be dealing with* something more than just confusion?

No, sir, I did not ... That didn't cross my mind at any time during that day or the next several days.

Mr (Robert) McFarlane (the previous National Security Adviser) has told the committee that he met with Colonel North on Sunday morning November 23 prior to his interview with you and that Colonel North was unhappy because he felt that there was a record of the diversion (of Iran arms sales profits to the Contras). Can you *think of any way that he might have* learnt of the discovery of the record of the diversion?

No ... I would personally be very surprised if he had learnt about it, because when we presented him with the memo that Sunday afternoon he certainly seemed *surprised* ... I would describe him as being shocked that we had the (diversion) memorandum ...

At that point did you believe that you were dealing with something other than confusion, something serious?

Yes, very definitely, and that there was a whole new aspect of this *situation*.

Did you regard it at that point as now a matter proper for criminal experts?

No, at that point we still hadn't *figured* out whether there was *any* criminality involved, whether this was an authorized activity, whether anyone *else knew* ...

The committee has information there may have been some more shredding between that time and the time when it was finally referred to the criminal division ... Did you give any consideration at that time either to referring it to your criminal division or *independently taking some steps to* secure files?

No ... There was no hint to us of any destruction of documents ... And *Colonel North had been very forth*right and forthcoming in his answers so that there was nothing at that point would have given us a hint ...

... I met with the President ... and I related ... what we had found over the weekend in my interview with Colonel North and that we had found evidence of a diversion of funds from the Iranian initiative to the freedom fighters in Nicaragua, and ... the President was quite surprised and indicated he had not known anything of this.

... I described to Admiral Poindexter what we had found, that we had found a memorandum that indicated a diversion of funds. I indicated that we had talked with Colonel North, that Colonel North verified that there was such a scheme ... And I asked him whether he knew about this and he (Poindexter) said that "Ollie (Colonel North) has given *me* enough hints about this so that I generally knew, but I did nothing to follow up or stop it", or words to that effect. And then I asked him: "Have you told anyone else, or does anyone else in the White House know?" And he said no ...

'Ivan the Terrible' trial

Demjanjuk flustered as court spotlight is turned on his alibi

From Ian Murray, Jerusalem

Relentlessly, the prosecution in the war crimes trial in Jerusalem yesterday set about trying to demolish the alibi of Mr John Demjanjuk that he had never been to Treblinka death camp, let alone served there as "Ivan the Terrible", the gas chamber executioner.

Under cross-examination the defendant was flustered, often irritated, and sometimes angry as the questions probed for detailed information he seemed unable to remember.

His son, John, later blamed the poor performance on lack of preparation by Mr Mark O'Connor, who was dismissed as defence counsel last week.

The new defence team leader, Mr Yoram Sheftel, said that it was not surprising after more than 40 years that details were forgotten. But there was no hiding the fact that Mr Demjanjuk seemed unsure of himself and easily rattled.

Asked by the bench to explain one glaring omission in his evidence, he admitted angrily that things had "slipped my mind".

He added: "I would like to forget all I have been through, but you are pressing me. Nobody wants to sympathize with a PoW and know what PoWs went through. You think it is easy to recall everything that happened to me in those two years all that time ago."

Mr Yona Blatman, the state prosecutor, developed a cross-examination technique of drawing Mr Demjanjuk on to describe details from his story and then producing earlier contradictory statements made by the defendant.

Mr Demjanjuk told the court that he had not advertised for other survivors of the Vlassov army who could testify that he had been a member of that pro-German volunteer force of Soviet prisoners. Mr Blatman then produced a statement saying that such advertisements had been placed.

Mr Demjanjuk described how, soon after he was taken prisoner, he had spent a day digging graves for German soldiers. Mr Blatman pointed out that he had never said that during the 10 years since the case against him began.

Mr Blatman produced two statements in which Mr Demjanjuk claimed he was taken prisoner in the Crimea at the end of 1942 or the beginning of 1943, whereas he has now told the court he had been captured in the spring of 1942.

Mr Blatman suggested that he had originally given the wrong date because he knew he was being charged with offences at the end of 1942 at Treblinka. "To solve this problem you argued that you were only captured in late '42 and so could not have been at Treblinka."

Mr Blatman said that the defendant had more than once claimed that the climate in the Crimea was the same all year round, "just like Florida", to cover up the discrepancy in the time of year.

"I have nothing to hide", Mr Demjanjuk retorted. "I was never at Treblinka and I have no reason to seek refuge in some figment of imagination."

The prosecution has claimed that Mr Demjanjuk volunteered for death camp duty to escape the terrible conditions at the prisoner of war camp at Rovno in the Ukraine, while the defence says that he was taken from there to another camp at Chelm in Poland.

Mr Demjanjuk said prisoners were moved to Chelm in covered lorries. Mr Blatman produced earlier statements saying they went by train.

According to Mr Demjanjuk's testimony yesterday, there were a small number of barracks when they arrived at Chelm. His earlier statements said there was only a barbed-wire enclosure in which prisoners dug shelters.

Mr Demjanjuk said he spent nine or 10 months at Chelm digging peat. He said he had forgotten that when he filled in a questionnaire saying only that he worked at the camp building barracks.

> ❛I have no reason to seek refuge in imagination❜

Italian Cabinet sworn in

Italy's Prime Minister, Signor Giovanni Goria, being saluted by a presidential guard on his way to present to President Cossiga his list of ministers. Signor Goria's new five-party Government has taken office after five months of political confusion in Italy (Reuter reports from Rome).

The 30-member Cabinet of Christian Democrats, Socialists, Republicans, Social Democrats and Liberals was sworn in yesterday and is expected to win votes of confidence in both houses of Parliament by next week.

Signor Goria's attempt to form a government was delayed by last-minute haggling over ministries by the Social Democrat Party. On March 3 a coalition led by Signor Bettino Craxi was brought down by a power struggle.

The full list of ministers: **Prime Minister and Southern Affairs** Giovanni Goria (DC), **Deputy Prime Minister and Treasury** Giuliano Amato (PSI), **Foreign Affairs** Giulio Andreotti (DC), **Interior** Amintore Fanfani (DC), **Justice** Giuliano Vassalli (PSI), **Finance** Antonio Gava (DC), **Budget and economic planning** Emilio Colombo (DC), **Defence** Valerio Zanone (PLI), **Agriculture and forests** Filippo Maria Pandolfi (DC), **Labour** Salvatore Formica (PSI), **Regional affairs** Aristide Gunnella (PRI), **Civil Protection (against natural disasters)** Remo Gaspari (DC), **Education** Giovanni Galloni (DC), **Public works** Emilio de Rose (PSDI), **Transport** Calogero Mannino (DC), **Posts** Oscar Mammi (PRI), **Industry** Adolfo Battaglia (PRI), **State Participation** Luigi Granelli (DC), **Foreign Trade** Renato Ruggiero (PSI) **Health** Carlo Donat-Cattin (DC), **Culture** Carlo Vizzini (PSDI), **Tourism** Franco Carraro (PSI), **Merchant Navy** Giovanni Prandini (DC), **Relations with Parliament** Sergio Mattarella (DC), **Public administration** Giorgio Santuz (DC), **EEC affairs** Antonio La Pergola (PSDI), **Scientific research** Antonio Ruberti (PSI), **Environment** Giorgio Ruffolo (PSI), **Urban Problems** Carlo Tognoli (PSI), **Special affairs** Rosa Russo Jervolino (DC).

Parties: DC — Christian Democrat; PSI — Socialist; PRI — Republican; PSDI — Social Democrat; PLI — Liberal.

Hayward accuses Yard detectives of using blackmail

From Philip Jacobson, Stockholm

Accusations about the conduct of two Scotland Yard detectives involved with the case of Captain Simon Hayward dominated yesterday's proceedings at the captain's trial here on drug smuggling charges.

With perfect timing and a respectable sense of theatre, the young Life Guards officer turned the prosecution's cross-examination into a platform for an eloquent reaffirmation of his innocence.

In the course of a 30-minute monologue, he accused the two British policemen, members of the National Drugs Intelligence Unit, of trying to blackmail him into a confession with threats against his family.

Describing his first meeting with them after his arrest last March, Captain Hayward said that he was told: "We know you are involved with an international crime syndicate." The detectives, who emphasized that they were acting purely as "private citizens", had alleged that his mother and his younger brother were part of the same syndicate. They claimed, he said, that his family had "laundered" money from drug smuggling and entertained smugglers at a party.

"It was then put to me that if I told them everything I knew, they would use their influence to have the charges against me dropped, or at least reduced."

Looking straight at the prosecutor, Mr Ulf Forsberg, Captain Hayward said that his firm impression had been that the detectives were being used for one purpose only — to scare him with threats against his family. "And it certainly did. Of all the things that had happened to me in Sweden, this was the most shocking."

These allegations were all the more effective for what had preceded them: a gentle ramble round some of the uncontested minutiae of the events that ended with Captain Hayward, driving a Jaguar owned by his older brother, Christopher, being forced off the road by Swedish Drug Squad officers.

It was only when the prosecution agreed to let the 31-year-old officer explain why he had changed a sworn statement to police that we arrived at more dramatic matters.

From the moment he was pulled from the car, handcuffed and strip-searched at Uppsala police headquarters, Captain Hayward recalled, he was in a state of "shock, confusion and rather frightened". It had soon occurred to him that Christopher Hayward might have some connection with the £500,000 worth of Moroccan hashish concealed in the car, "although at that stage I was still convinced he could not have been involved".

With this in mind, Captain Hayward explained, he had deliberately kept Christopher's name out of his first statement as far as possible. "An incredibly stupid decision, I now see, but it was an instinctive act to protect a member of my family."

Captain Hayward said that eventually he had reluctantly concluded that his brother — who has not been seen since the arrest — may have been implicated. "Even so, I thought he would come forward to clear me, or at least send a statement that did so."

In the end, Captain Hayward decided that "if I had any chance of beating the allegations against me, I had to tell the whole truth".

By the time all this was over, Mr Forsberg was looking rather glum. There was, however, more to encourage him in the evidence of Mr Gunnar Larsen, a London-based Norwegian police officer seconded to Interpol as a specialist on Nordic drug trafficking.

He testified that he had interviewed an informant in London who provided inside details about the narcotics ring operating from Spain into Scandinavia. According to the informant, Christopher Hayward was the main organizer and Simon Hayward "knew fully what he was doing" when he drove the car to Sweden in return for £20,000.

Mr Larsen said that his source had previously supplied "100 per cent correct" information.

At the end of a busy and dramatic session, we were left with the memory of a nice moment when Captain Hayward, whose use of the colloquial is sometimes a little dated, referred to a chap he had met at a barbecue on Ibiza as "rather a spiv".

The excellent court interpreter did his best, but the bench was clearly puzzled. "A bit of a wide boy," volunteered Captain Hayward. We got there in the end with *haj*, Swedish for shark.

> ❛An instinctive act to protect a member of my family❜

Falklands economy

Fishing boom fuels development hopes

By Andrew McEwen, Diplomatic Correspondent

The Governor of the Falkland Islands, Mr Gordon Jewkes, says in a report published today that the new fishing industry is about to give the islands substantial funds to spend on development.

"Decisions taken now will shape the whole pattern of life," he says in a report of the Falkland Islands Development Corporation, of which he is chairman.

In an interview with *The Times*, which publishes today a Special Report on the Falklands, he attacked misconceptions about the islands' prospects. "There have been those who regarded the Falklands as an economic basket case to be propped up with huge amounts of aid," he said, blaming their attitude on a selective interpretation of defence costs.

"Such figures tend to ignore the fact that successive (British) governments for 100 years adopted a policy of benign neglect. It will be very difficult in future for people to regard the Falklands as a drain on the British taxpayer."

Mr Jewkes said that a 56-year decline in the islands' population had been reversed. A census taken last November, but not yet published, put the population at 1,919 — up 5.8 per cent on 1980. But the increase is entirely in Stanley, which has grown by 18 per cent to 1,239.

A population drift caused by farm mechanization aroused no concern until it was realized that high fishing wages could accelerate it. New policies may now be needed. Mr Jewkes said: "We are very anxious to avoid a flight from the land."

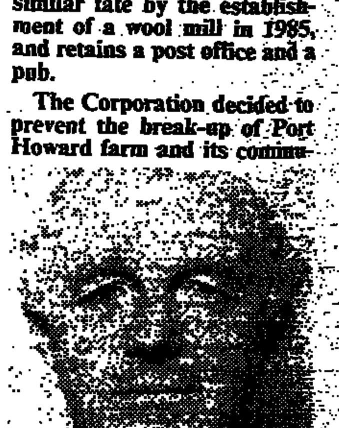
But this drift is already far advanced. The population outside Stanley is only 648 (a drop of 15 per cent), and spread over an area larger than Wales. This is equivalent to one person per 4,642 acres.

A land redistribution policy has had unwanted side-effects. Before the 1982 war, most land was owned by 30 companies or families. The Development Corporation is gradually buying big farms, dividing them and selling them to former farmworkers.

There are now more than 70 farms and both morale and productivity have risen, at the price of dispersing tight-knit communities. "Green Patch, the first big farm to be divided, is now a ghost hamlet," said an islander who flew over it recently.

Fox Bay West, which was divided 18 months ago, has declined sharply from its 1982 population of 26. Nearby Fox Bay Village was saved from a similar fate by the establishment of a wool mill in 1985, and retains a post office and a pub.

The Corporation decided to prevent the break-up of Port Howard farm and its community of 30 people with 40,000 sheep on 200,000 acres. But the survival of one community had an unintended impact on another.



Mr Jewkes: anxious to avoid a flight from the land.

The local teacher — a vital figure in holding a tiny community together — is Mr Edward Chandler. When he accepted the job recently, he left his previous community, Hill Cove, without a replacement. Now its three children depend on a visiting teacher travelling by helicopter.

Half of Mr Chandler's class of four pupils comes from one family. Clad in muddy wellingtons, the two boys, aged six and nine, scampered home to their hilltop cottage where their parents, tractor driver Mr William Pole-Evans, and his wife Shirley, were talking to a visitor from *The Times*.

"Shortage of labour isn't a problem yet, but when men find that they could double their wages in the fishing business we may start losing them," he said. But for the moment Mr Pole-Evans, aged 39, seems happy with his income of £5,000 a year and free house, mutton, beef and peat.

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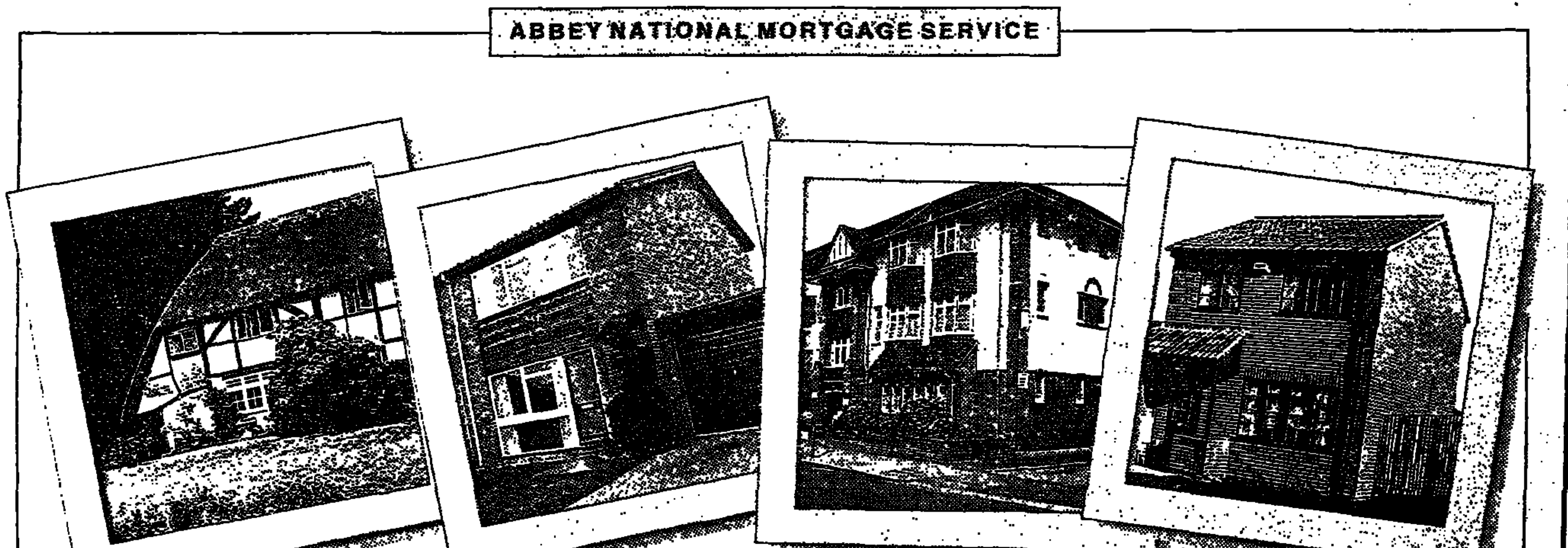

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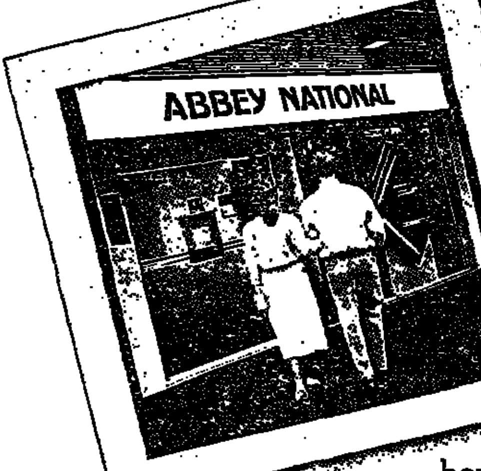

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Tanaka power fades as court upholds Lockheed conviction

From A Correspondent, Tokyo

The Tokyo High Court has upheld a 1983 lower court decision convicting the former *Japanese Prime Minister*, Mr Kakuei Tanaka, aged 69, of accepting a 500 million yen (£2 million) bribe to promote the sale of Lockheed aircraft in Japan.

The High Court also upheld the *Tokyo District* Court's sentencing of Mr Tanaka to four years in prison and forfeiture of 500 million yen for his part in Japan's worst postwar bribery scandal.

Mr Tanaka's lawyers immediately filed an appeal with the Japanese Supreme Court against yesterday's ruling.

The High Court judge, Mr Takeo Naito, rejected defence appeals that damaging evidence taken in the United States from former Lockheed executives in return for immunity from prosecution was inadmissible, and accepted prosecution evidence that Mr Tanaka had received the 500 million yen bribe through executives of Japan's Marubeni Corporation via his personal secretary of that time, Mr Toshio Enomoto, aged 61.

The bribe, which came to light in 1976 after Mr Tanaka had already been forced from office in 1974 for alleged improper real estate deals, was to enlist Mr Tanaka's influence in getting the Japanese airline All Nippon Airways to buy Lockheed TriStars for its domestic fleet. Marubeni was Lockheed's Japanese agent in the airline deal.

The High Court also upheld convictions for violating the Foreign Exchange and Foreign *Trade Control Law and* taking or offering bribes against four Tanaka co-defendants, but suspended for four years the two-year prison sentence of one of them, a former Marubeni managing director, *Mr Hiroshi Ito, aged 60.*

Mr Enomoto's sentence of one year in prison, suspended *for three years, for violation of* the exchange and trade law and sentences of two years in prison for the former Marubeni chairman, Mr Hiro Hiyama, aged 77, and two years' imprisonment, suspended for four years, for the former Marubeni managing director, Mr Toshiharu Okubo, aged 73, for violation of the law, offering bribes and lying to the Japanese Diet (Parliament), were all upheld.

Mr Enomoto and Mr Hiyama have also appealed against the ruling to the Supreme Court.

Mr Tanaka, who is still recuperating from a stroke *suffered in February 1985, and* the other four defendants, did not attend yesterday's hearing.

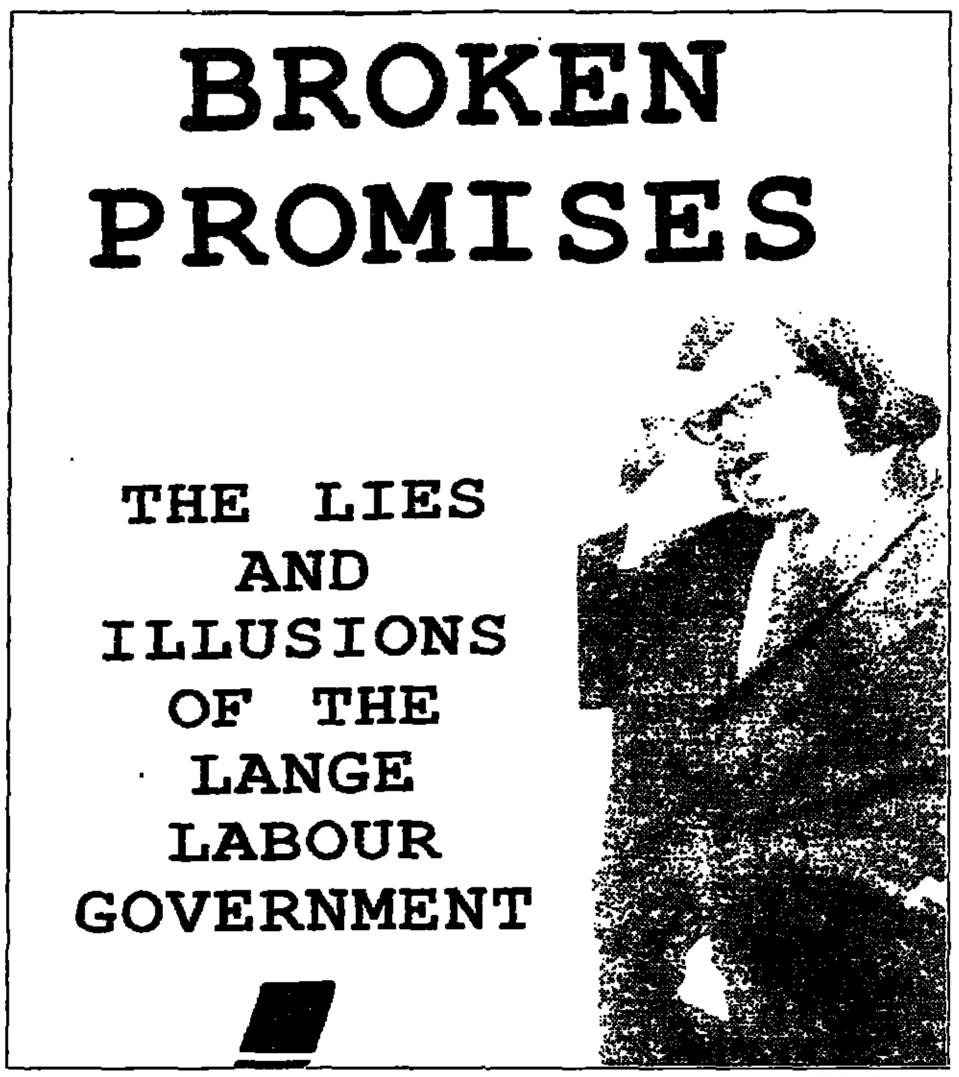
The decision, coupled with the break-up of the Tanaka faction within the Liberal Democratic Party last month, is seen as a crippling blow to Mr Tanaka's position as a leading power broker in Japanese politics.

According to Japanese reports yesterday, the court ruling said Mr Hiyama, the former Marubeni chairman, was the "mastermind" behind the decision to enlist Mr *Tanaka's help.*

The three Marubeni defendants were censured by the court for giving false testimony in the Diet in early 1976 in which they denied their firm had been involved with Mr Tanaka.

Mr Ito, the Marubeni man who gave the money to Mr Enomoto, had his sentence suspended because of his "repentance".

Scrap over Lange's heavyweight past


BROKEN PROMISES

THE LIES AND ILLUSIONS OF THE LANGE LABOUR GOVERNMENT

The cover of the National Party manifesto, with its old, unflattering image of Mr Lange.

From Richard Long, Wellington

A 12-year-old photograph of Mr David Lange, in the days when he looked an overweight, long-haired Beatle and before he became a Prime Minister, *enlivened the New Zealand* election campaign yesterday and brought allegations of dirty tricks.

The opposition National Party published the less than flattering picture on the front *of a glossy manifesto entitled Broken Promises – the Lies and Illusions of the Lange Labour Government.*

The manifesto listed the contradictory statements of the talkative leader on subjects such as anti-nuclear policy and the release of the French Rainbow Warrior saboteurs.

Mr Lange hit back, referring to cheap tactics, and said that the public could expect a welter of such tricks as the National Party grew more desperate.

Mr Lange, who weighed 23 stone before he had a stomach bypass operation, had the build of a Sumo wrestler 12 years ago and lank collar-length hair.

He said it was clear that the National Party, on its third leader since the last election and its fourth economic policy, would prefer to concentrate on his old hairline rather than debate the issues.

Mr Jim Bolger, the Opposition leader, defended the publication of the old photograph and said the choice was not designed to make Mr Lange look stupid.

Late last night neither leader was laughing after the publication of the country's main public opinion poll.

The Heylen-Eye Witness poll showed the Government still retaining a comfortable 18 point lead just over a fortnight from the election on August 15, but a lead that was well down on the 26-point record in *the June poll.*

Labour scored 58 per cent support in the poll taken last Saturday, *a drop of three* percentage points. The National Party polled 40 per cent support, up five.

Cooks leader ousted

Wellington – *Mr* David Lange, the New Zealand Prime Minister, last night predicted a closer relationship between his country and the Cook Islands as a result of the removal of Sir Tom Davis as Prime Minister by his own party (Richard Long writes).

Dr Pupuke Robati, Sir Tom's deputy *until 1983*, was last night sworn in as the new leader of the tiny Pacific nation of 15 islands and atolls.

Sir Tom, a Nasa space medicine expert before he took up politics, was removed by a no-confidence motion in Parliament.

The future of Hong Kong

Chinese capitalists see profits ahead under Peking rule

From Robert Grieves, Peking

With just 10 years left before Hong Kong becomes part of China, aggressive Chinese entrepreneurs have largely replaced the old British *hongs* (trading firms) that once controlled the colony's destiny.

In recent years such figures as Sir Yue Kong Pao, Mr Li Ka Shing and Mr Gordon Wu have built financial dynasties that have sometimes included, as in the case of Sir Yue Kong and Mr Li, established British firms such as Wheelock Marden and Hutchison Whampoa respectively.

These men, and others like them in their fifties and sixties, began building their fortunes in shipping, property and *finance* from almost nothing. They had to learn how to get along with the colony's ruling British establishment and thrive in the dog-eat-dog commercial world of Hong Kong. Since the Sino-British joint declaration on Hong Kong was signed in 1984, these older Chinese tycoons have made efforts to forge closer commercial and personal ties with Peking.

Mr Vincent Lo: prospects depend on right formula.

Sir Yue Kong has built hotels in Peking and donated the money for universities in China. Mr Li has done deals with Peking's main Hong Kong enterprise, Ever Bright Holdings. Mr Wu has put *together a consortium* to build a super-highway from Hong Kong to Canton in Guangdong province.

Less well known is the generation coming up behind the older tycoons. Generally the sons of company founders, born to wealth and educated abroad, these Chinese will be *in charge* of Hong Kong's commercial activities when the colony is handed over in 1997. In interviews with *The Times*, four members of this new generation expressed their desire to be independent of both *Peking* and *Britain*. Despite their freedom to emigrate to anywhere they choose, they said they would rather stay to help build Hong Kong into one of the world's great financial and commercial centres.

But they agree with Chinese officials – who have said that direct elections would not be in *Hong Kong's best interests* – because the 5.5 million population has little political awareness or education.

"China must continue to prove itself to the second generation of Hong Kong businessmen", Mr Payson Cha, aged 44, managing director of the Discovery Bay *subsidiary of* Hong Kong Resort Ltd, said. "We're more spoiled than our fathers: we were brought up in Hong Kong rather than in China, and we expect more. But we are still Chinese."

Like many of Hong Kong's Chinese residents, Mr Cha believes that the colony can serve as a model and educator *for developing China*. "The Communist takeover of Shanghai did not work, and now they are here", he said. "In Hong Kong, we are all refugees, we want peace and quiet. Direct elections are not the answer to the political questions of the future. We are going to have to give China the *benefit of the doubt in 1997.*"

Dr Lo Ka Shui, trained in America as a cardiologist but now managing director of the Great Eagle company, said that he was "basically optimistic about China" because the modernization drive appears to be so entrenched among the people.

"We're the gateway to the biggest potential market in the world, and we have a role to *play in China*", Dr *Lo, aged* 40, said. "If we don't have a role (as a technical adviser and educator for China), then we will become extinct."

When asked if the ousting of Mr Hu Yaobang from his post as the mainland Communist Party General Secretary and the resulting "anti-bourgeois liberalization" campaign disturbed him, Dr Lo said: "Far from it. It was a good opportunity. The Hong Kong stock market dropped 80 points and we bought like crazy."

Mr Vincent Lo, aged 39, left the family businesses to found Shui On as a small building company in 1971. Today it is a *diversified conglomerate* that includes food, hotels and leisure interests. He said that Hong Kong's *future depended* on "finding the right formula" to govern the capitalistic *territory*.

Mr Lo rejected the idea of direct elections. Rather, whoever headed Hong Kong after 1997 should show the same impartiality in all issues that Hong Kong's civil servants had shown *for the past 100* years.

Mr Robert Ng, aged 36, is *director of* Sino Realty and Sino Land, two property companies. "The other night at dinner I met two friends whom I had not seen in a long time", he said. "They had left Hong Kong for Australia but were now back. They said there was more opportunity for them here."

Mr Payson Cha: colony can be a model for mainland.

Mr Ng and many of his associates share that view. He said: "I think Hong Kong is going to survive longer than all of us who are here now." But *he added* that Hong Kong must prove its worth to Peking. "China can do without anybody", he said. "Hong Kong has to show that it has a purpose."

Great Eagle's Dr Lo concluded: "We, as practical businessmen, acknowledge the fact that the fate of Hong Kong is *sealed*. We *know who our* new landlord is going to be. Now we have to get on with our work."

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THE TIMES PROFILE

NICHOLAS RIDLEY

Bidden to a fancy dress ball at the Mansion House some years ago. *Nicholas Ridley did* not have to rack his brains to find a costume. He just went to the wardrobe and took out a long brown coat which had belonged to one of his ancestors a century or two ago.

"The costume suited him – he's a very 18th century figure, not entirely at home in the 1980s," a former front-bench colleague recalls. "He felt in the back pocket of the coat and came out with a card, which read: 'Master Ridley calls on you and requests the honour of your vote' – a canvassing card from an election dating back to the 1790s, I think. It's worth remembering that family background with Nick."

Family background is a dubious asset in the Conservative Party today. Since the early 1980s, a stream of landed squires have retired, discomfited, to the back-benches or fled to the City because of difficulties in reconciling their conceptions of *noblesse oblige* with the principles instilled in the Grantham grocer's shop. Gilmours and Pyms and Priors have been relegated one by one to the sidelines, but *Viscount Ridley's younger brother* has moved steadily closer to the centre of politics, without finding any conflict between family tradition and the prevailing outlook.

In this first session of the new Administration, his Environment Department has a more complex and controversial body of legislation to nurse to the statute-book than any other Ministry. In the Bill to abolish the local rates and replace them with a community charge, Ridley has charge of the measure which could most easily lose the Government the next election, if it is not sensitively handled. After its failure on Monday to agree on a plan to sweeten the pill by phasing in the new tax, the Cabinet is expected to meet again today for a second attempt.

But sensitivity is not a word very often associated with Ridley in his public aspect. In an age of image politics, it is rare to find anyone who has risen so high with so little regard for the arts of presentation and ingratiation. He has a dry, pettifogging air and a harsh voice, and his wizened face permanently bears the expression of one who has unexpectedly sucked a lemon. His wit is *lemon-flavoured*, too, and can betray him into failures of tact which are notorious.

With a unanimity rare in that bitchiest of milieux, fellow members insist that he is privately a delightful companion and the kindest of men. Unlike many politicians, whose public faces are considerably more pleasant than their private ones, he *disdains to exercise that self-censorship on* public occasions which comes naturally to the circumspect. Equally, finding the dilemmas of politics quite straightforwardly resolved by reference to a very clear-cut market-forces outlook on things (which even a front-bench colleague tacitly concedes to be based more on theory than experience), he can find difficulties in *communicating with those who do not* fully share that outlook.

At his important meeting this month to allay the anxieties of Tory back-benchers over the rates plan, he impressed with his exposition, but left some unreassured. "I've gone a step away from the community charge because of that meeting," says one MP on the right of the party. "His personality will be one of the Government's obstacles in getting the Bill through. He uses sarcasm fairly heavily: on another occasion I watched him turn a potential ally into an opponent without trying – the way he answered the man's question in the House left him in a heap on the floor."

"He gives an impression of arrogance, but I think a lot of it is shyness," says a fellow Tory. "He dreads constituency dances, and says the only way he can face them is to drink five glasses of wine and dance away with the constituency chairman's wife."

His press conferences in stuffy Whitehall rooms can be ordeals for correspondents from the more Greenish publications, as the Secretary of State perches gnomelike at the table, half-obscured by clouds of smoke from his cigarettes, which he holds in a contorted grip, at once defiant and foppish, with his hand twisted back in such a way that as much of the ash gets flicked over his *shoulder as into the brimming ashtray.*

He makes smoking almost a political act. It is a liberty that he affirms, scorning the nannying of campaigners who would presume to tell him what is good for him, and restrict his freedom to light up. "I *have enjoyed eating and drinking every*thing. I smoke *hard*," he told a recent interviewer.

Despite the dried-up appearance, he has a distinct gusto for life. In a Cabinet increasingly grey and career-obsessed, he stands out as a man with wider resources. Colleagues even respectfully refer to him as "the Renaissance man of the Cabinet" – a role for which there are not many contenders. The Leonardo of Marsham Street started his working life as a civil engineering contractor on Tyneside. He ingeniously diverted a stream to create an exotic water-garden in his home near Stow-on-the-Wold. He is a fly fisherman ("a superb one – he *talks* them out"), a carpenter, a landscape painter of exceptional merit, and an expert hand with an embroidery needle.

Two contrasted inheritances mingle or contend in his ancestry. The Ridleys were an old Border family. In the 19th century, the fifth baronet carried a Bill in Parliament setting up a statutory board to develop the languishing port of Blyth, much of which he owned, as a coal port. Blyth became wealthy, and so did the baronet. He was made a peer, served a rather lacklustre stint as Home Secretary, and in true Victorian spirit adorned Blyth with many ornaments of his philanthropy.

Ridley's father, the third Viscount, married a daughter of Sir Edwin Lutyens, the architect. At one time Ridley himself is said to have considered going into the same trade. The water-colours, the diverted stream and the embroidery may be attributable to the Lutyens strain. The magnate in coal, iron and railways provided a background of entrepreneurial zest and self-reliance.

Ridley was 20 when the family's coal interests were nationalized, and at 23 he was the Conservative candidate for Blyth, a hopeless seat. Still only 30 when he entered the House of Commons, he was too much a maverick to gain early advancement. *Edward Heath gave him a* junior post in the Department of Trade and Industry, but he soon resigned, with a consistency which demands respect, because he opposed Heath's interventionist Industry Act in 1972 – rejecting the offer, handsome in the circumstances, of a shift to be Minister for the Arts.

His reward for sticking to his guns came *with the triumph of Thatcherism.* He was given junior jobs at the Foreign Office and the Treasury, and then the Transport Secretaryship and Environment – to the alarm of the environmentalist lobby. Civil servants respect him as a hard worker, and wait with interest to see how he will stand up for his department in its rivalry with Lord Young's over responsibility for inner-city policy.

Those who have not worked closely with him speak of a relaxed attitude. "But his long weekends are a bit of an act – his old cardigan and his 'I'm just off to the trout-stream, dear boy' – but I can tell you he goes through those papers like a rat up a drain," says a colleague who once worked under him.

He has gained a reputation as a cutter of knots, with the nerve to make decisions – arguably inevitable – on long-delayed questions like the Okehampton bypass and Stansted airport, and secure acceptance for them with an unsuspected adroitness.

He is a better delegator than some predecessors who were beaten down by the burdens of his department. Mrs Thatcher can count on him to have the will to drive the community charge through: the question is whether he has the persuasive arts to reassure the country and his own party that the reform is right.

George Hill

BIOGRAPHY

1929: Born Feb 27, younger son of 3rd Viscount Ridley. Educated at Eton and Balliol College, Oxford
1950: Married Clayre Campbell. Three daughters (marriage dissolved 1974)
1950: Civil engineering contractor, later director, of Brims and Co, Newcastle upon Tyne
1959: MP for Cirencester and Tewkesbury
1962-64: Parliamentary private secretary to education minister.
1970: Parliamentary secretary, ministry of *technology (June-Oct), parliamentary* under-secretary of state department of trade and industry
1979: Married Judy Kendall
1979-81: Minister of state, Foreign and Commonwealth Office
1981-83: Financial secretary to Treasury
1983-86: Transport secretary
1986: Environment secretary

This is your pilot calling

It costs £100 to join the flight – but beware of crashes

In a crowded hamburger restaurant in Baker Street, pilot Alice Godfrey, a masseuse from South London, chairs the weekly meeting of her flight. She has worked herself to the top of the latest "chain" to reach Britain.

Chain letters used to be simple, requiring a postcard or £1 to be sent to a name at the top of the list. This one is more sophisticated, involving weekly "reinforcement" meetings. "It's like a consciousness-raising group," says a former participant. "Except with this you get the money."

Flight (also known as Airplane and Helicopter) is a word-of-mouth exercise using group psychology and peer pressure to make an eight-fold profit from an investment. You start by joining a flight as a passenger, you pay £100 to your pilot. You then find two more passengers, and become a navigator. When your two recruits have in turn found passengers, you move up on to the flight deck as co-pilot, and, one stage later, pilot. When a pilot has received £100 from each of the eight passengers he or she "takes off" and the two co-pilots become pilots in their own right.

There is, of course, a simple catch. When you run out of people to "fuel" the flight, the aeroplane crashes.

Carol Lipton, a designer, went to a meeting in New York. There the stakes were higher – an output of $1,500 (about £930), leading to a return of $12,000. "There were clearly one or two people really into it, keeping everything going," she recalls. "I was embarrassed and didn't want to hustle my friends." The game collapsed a week later, she says.

Is it legal? The Inland Revenue says that as long as no less than £250 is exchanged it is regarded as a gift and not liable to tax. Scotland Yard, however, believes it may contravene the Lotteries and Amendment Act 1976.

Andrew Lycett

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TOMORROW

Teaching the world to see: on board the international flying hospital that helps save eyesight

A bird's-eye view

Ornithologists are all a-twitter as work begins on the most comprehensive atlas of British birdlife

Michael Wright steps urgently into the East Anglian dawn. It is a key time in the ornithologist's year and he has the birdlife in one four thousandth part of Britain to survey by the time the summer wanes.

The unmistakable jangle of the corn bunting in full voice, two fields away, opens his account. "That makes four singing males in totally different places. Relatively common in other parts of the country, but it's good to come across them here."

He moves rapidly through this slab of countryside east of Ipswich, alert for the sounds and conspicuous behaviour of breeding birds. Each one, however common, is scrupulously recorded.

When the British Trust for Ornothology's *Atlas of Breeding Birds in Great Britain and Ireland* is published in 1992, Michael Wright's forays into the countryside this summer will not even earn him a footnote. But his contribution will have been crucial.

Wright and several hundred others in an advance team of amateur birdwatchers are testing the methods which a much larger contingent will apply when the BTO's three-year census, on which the atlas is to be based, begins next year.

The £105,000 project (incongruously financed by the CEGB, whose coal-fired power stations are identified as one source of acid rain) will surely be the world's most comprehensive national bird atlas. All previous detailed bird studies will be surpassed by this first attempt to estimate the numbers of more than 200 species of breeding birds in each of the 4,000 10-kilometre squares in Britain *and Ireland, and to show how* their distribution corresponds to habitat and land use.

By late July Michael Wright, a machine tool programmer, will have made two passes, for early and late breeding birds, through Ordnance Survey square TM 24. He has no need to peer into the undergrowth. The clues he seeks are abundant: adults bearing food; the loud, insistent calls of fledglings; the bold territorialism of a male; the distraction display of an anxious female.

The BTO's first *Atlas of Breeding Birds*, published in 1976 and compiled with the help of 10,000 amateur birdwatchers, established a new standard for mapping the distribution of wildlife. But it showed only whether a bird was present or absent in a 10-kilometre square. "There could have been one or 10,000 of a particular species in a square," said the BTO's Dr David Gibbons, who is organizing the project.

The new work will go much further. Between 15,000 and 20,000 amateur ornothologists will gather the information on which precise population estimates in each square will be based. It will also give data on the type of habitat in each square, showing how habitat influences numbers.

Gareth Huw Davies

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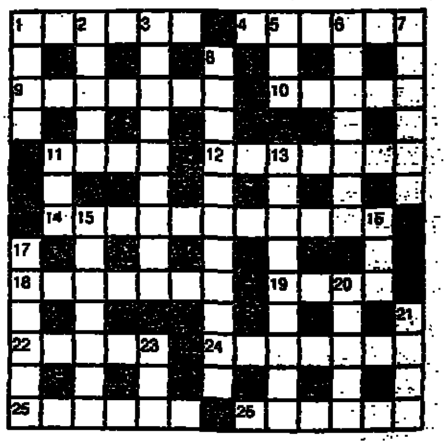

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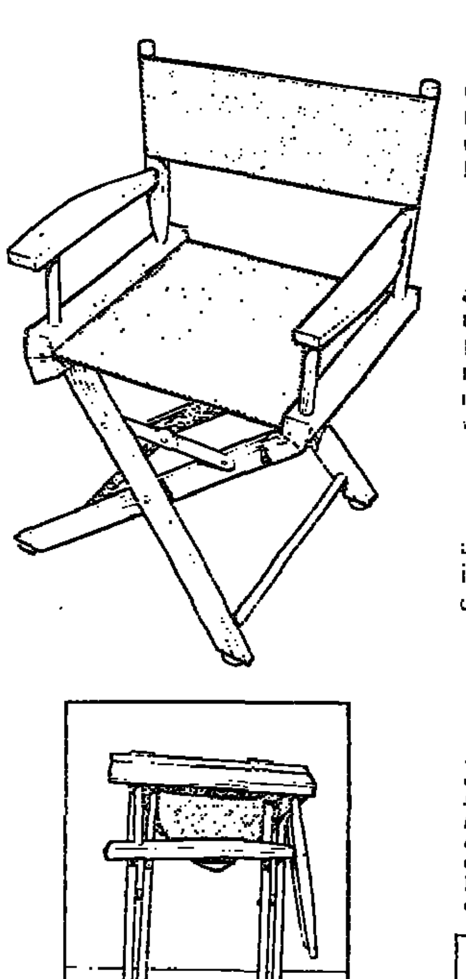

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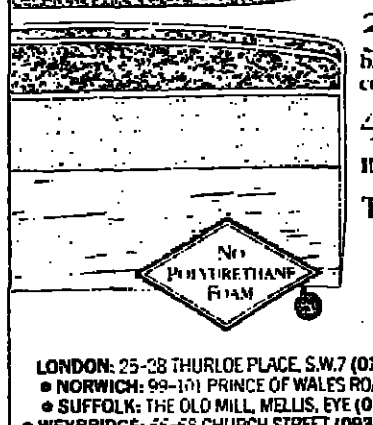

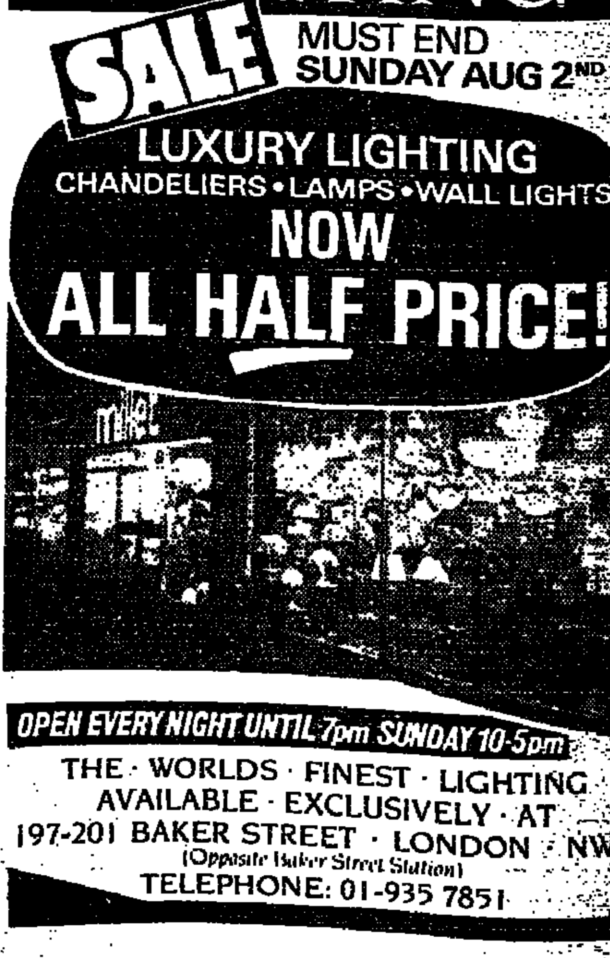

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Under the weather?

Does vile weather create vile symptoms? Should doctors learn more about meteorology before practising medicine? **Ann Kent** discovers that extremes of temperature are not the only climatic hazard to our health

It is easy to assume that only extreme weather conditions cause physical harm. After all, we seldom suffer from heatwaves of the kind being endured by the Greeks, or roof-lifting storms. So although we complain endlessly about our weather, we tend to think that it is as harmless as it is unpredictable – provided that we keep it out of our homes.

In fact any sudden change in our climate, and particularly a deviation from normal conditions – humidity, air pressure and temperature familiar to the native – appears to be matched by major physiological changes. Even conception seems to be influenced by external temperature. In cool, temperate climates, conception is most likely to occur when average monthly temperatures are between 14°C and 16°C (on a cool summer's evening), and least likely at 23°C. In the tropics, these temperatures would be 26°C and 28°C (with high humidity) respectively.

Research conducted in Houston, Texas, suggests that sperm counts are lowest in the summer. However, other scientists point out that people may simply avoid lovemaking when the weather is uncomfortably hot.

If changes of temperature are sudden, or if we are susceptible to certain problems, then even the mild British climate can affect our behaviour or make us ill.

More than two thousand years ago, Hippocrates, the founding father of medicine, advised would-be doctors to learn meteorology before getting to grips with medicine, and during the last century there has been a great deal of research into the possible links between weather and health. Some of these studies were not carried out under strictly controllled conditions, and there are doubts about how closely laboratory heating or cooling chambers can reproduce real weather conditions. But there is some evidence to suggest that Hippocrates was right.

Dr Stuart Checkley, a consultant psychiatrist at the Maudsley Hospital in London, has found a way of treating depressed patients who are profoundly affected by the winter. Although these people function fairly normally in the summer, they become miserable and lethargic as the days darken, eating and sleeping much more than usual, and they are often unable to summon the energy to go to work.

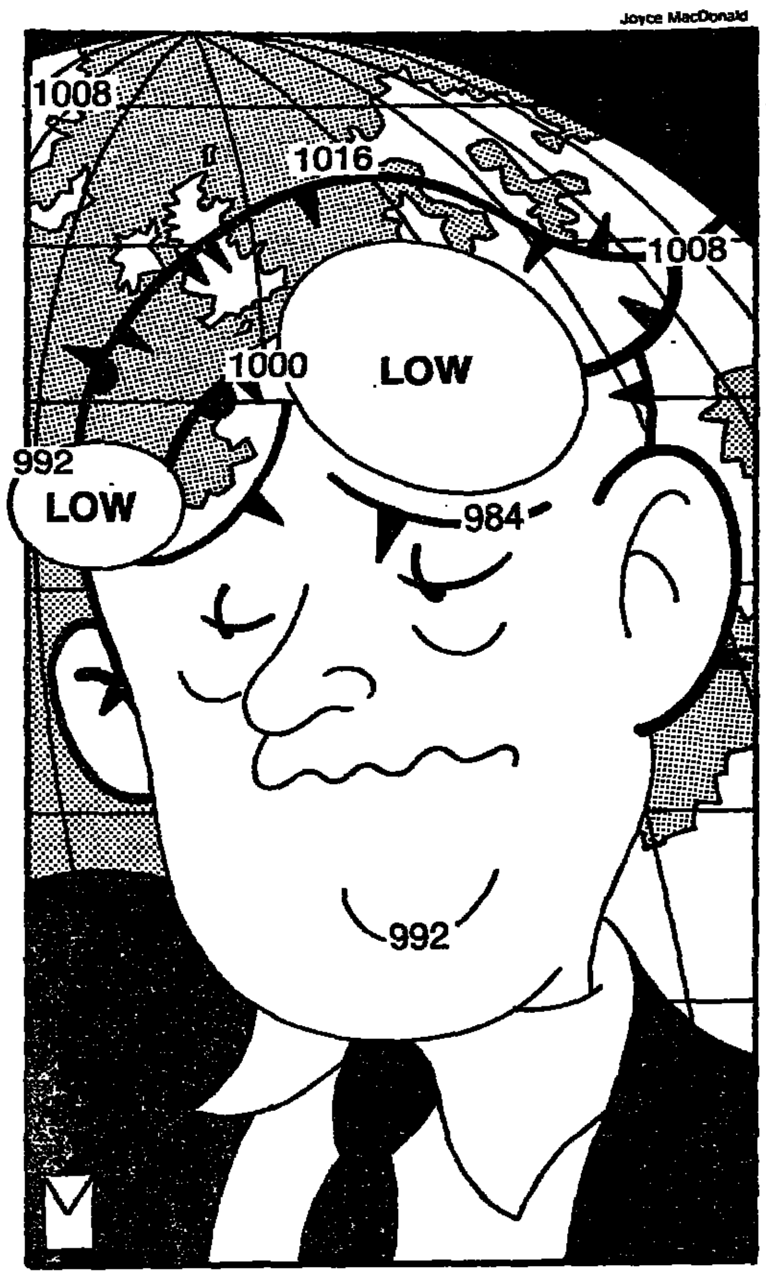
Treatment involves sitting under special lamps, which simulate daylight, for four to six hours a day. The result has been a significant lifting of their depression. It was originally thought that such depressions were caused by a shortage of the light-sensitive hormone, melatonin. Dr Checkley believes that this theory has now been disproved, although he still does not know why the lights relieve his patients' symptoms. "The only clue comes from American studies, which show that the effect works through the eyes rather than the skin."

Thousands of research projects have been carried out on the links between weather and suicide. Perhaps surprisingly, it seems to be the change from winter cold to the warmer conditions of spring which makes people want to take their lives. More predictably, the day they choose is likely to be foggy, gloomy, or drizzly.

Increased heat reduces the ability to cope with stress, to concentrate, or to react to danger

Schizophrenics are not bothered by heavy rain and snow, but become more disturbed when warm weather fronts approach. They are most likely to be admitted to hospital during the summer. And some research suggests that sufferers from this condition are more likely to be born in January, February and March.

Cliff Smith, who worked at the Meteorological Office, Bracknell, until he retired, has made a special study of the effects of weather on human welfare. He believes that "a good blustery day tends to make people feel on top of the world". He was asked to see whether there could be a climatic explanation for the fact that patients flock to see their GPs in May and December; his initial researches suggest that in those months, the normal flow of air which comes in from the Atlantic is obstructed, and the usual weather patterns are upset. Recently a senior lecturer in law at Birmingham Polytechnic asked him to investigate the effects of the weather on the riots in Brixton, Southall and Toxteth, which occurred on different dates in 1981.



Joyce MacDonald

"I was sceptical that the weather could have had anything to do with what happened, but then became surprised by the similarity in the conditions." He was particularly struck by the contrast between night and day temperatures, and on the similarities of scores on a heat-stress index, which was devised in America.

"Moving suddenly out of our 'personal comfort zones' can cause heat stress, which in turn causes irritability," he says. "If affected people then start to run around, their metabolic rate increases and things get worse." He did not believe that the riots were caused by the weather, but that the heat ignited the touch-paper in an already explosive social situation.

"With four or five-day forecasts, it should be possible to predict when the lid might blow, just as it should be possible to predict in advance when elderly people are at risk of hyperthermia. But we don't seem interested in making and acting on this kind of prediction."

Tony Judge, the spokesman for the Police Federation, agrees that long spells of hot weather can cause problems. "People get overheated, drink more alcohol, and tend to be more violent. The other major danger about hot weather is that drivers tend to lose their concentration. The heat makes them tired and dulls their senses."

Researchers in biometeorology say that physiological changes begin within minutes of an abrupt change in temperature, and it takes between five and 10 days for a healthy person to re-adjust, and three weeks before the body's reactions are normal.

Blood tests have shown that increased heat reduces levels of ketosteroids, adrenaline and noradrenaline, to the detriment of drivers' ability to cope with stress, concentrate, or react to danger. At the same time, serotonin, histamine and thyroxine levels are increased, creating impatience and affecting judgement.

There is evidence from research carried out in America during 1980 that the weather has an influence on asthma sufferers. Asthma "epidemics" frequently accompany a weather pattern in which a cold front is quickly followed by a high pressure system. The glare of the sun on sea or sand can provoke a disabling migraine attack. So can very dry weather conditions, possibly because of the presence of positively charged particles (ions) in the atmosphere. Work on laboratory animals suggests that removing positive ions from the air they breathe improves their mental state, and many people believe this applies to human beings as well. However, the case is not proven to the satisfaction of scientists.

An approaching thunderstorm provides the perfect background for marital outbursts

They do accept what the elderly have been saying for centuries: that arthritis and rheumatism get worse when the barometer falls and humidity rises. Rheumatic diseases are at their worst in the winter.

Less harmful, but extremely irritating, are the emotional effects caused by an approaching storm, where the pressure is falling and the temperature rising. An American study of the moods of patients as storms approached found that: "Most subjects are afflicted with a feeling of futility, an inability to reach the usual mental efficiency, or to accomplish difficult tasks. In children, this takes the form of increased irritability, a restlessness and petulance. Adults on such days are also more quarrelsome and fault-finding." Such weather, the study concludes, provides "the most perfect background for marital outbursts."

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MEDICAL BRIEFING

Breath of life

Doctors are reluctant to diagnose asthma, one of the more common significant diseases of childhood – up to 15 per cent of children suffer from it – for fear of alarming parents and sentencing the child to an invalid's role. All too often the chronic cough is misdiagnosed as bronchitis, and the true nature of the complaint missed and mistreated. As a result, he or she is unnecessarily considered sickly and chesty.

Children, as Dr Jan Reisner of the Central Middlesex Hospital warns in the journal *Update*, require as much skill in their treatment today as they did in the 12th century, when the physician to the Sultan of Cairo said: "I have no major cure to report. Asthma has many causes and should be treated according to whatever brings it about".

These days, when a crisis does occur it is usually due either to the failure of the parents, or the doctor, to measure the child's ability to breathe, or an unwillingness to prescribe steroids at an early stage.

Ninety-five per cent of children who have asthma suffer from allergies, and one of the most common is an allergy to household dust mites, which live in wall cracks, between floorboards and in the seams of furniture coverings.

Two recently introduced measures will help to reduce the number of mites in the house, and, above all, in the bedroom. Painting the walls and even the floors with Artilin 3A, manufactured in France, kills the mites, but is harmless to humans. The paint has been tested at the Medical Entomology Centre at Cambridge University, with excellent results. The other innovation is the use of liquid nitrogen to freeze the mites living in mattresses.

Information about Artilin 3.4 (£10 a litre as an emulsion, £13 as a gloss) can be obtained from G.E.M. Services, Harwal Works, Elliott Street, Silsden, W. Yorks (0535 56010).

Question time

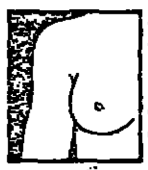
There has long been an argument among doctors as to whether the propensity of parliamentarians to develop dandruff is due to the anxiety of having to make speeches – with a resulting flare-up of what is essentially an eczematous condition – or whether the temperature at which the chamber of the House of Commons is kept favours the growth of pityrosporum, a yeast.

A few years ago the seborrhoeic dermatitis school of thought held sway, and the dandruff was treated with periodic applications of topical steroids, particularly Betnovate or Dermovate scalp lotion. More recently opinion has swung behind the view that it is due to a yeast infection, and a new treatment has been introduced to attack it.

Pulse magazine reports that dermatologists at the Royal Infirmary, Newcastle and Dryburn Hospital, Durham, have completed a trial of Nizoral, a ketoconazole shampoo manufactured by Janssen Pharmaceuticals. Dr Peter Farr, the consultant dermatologist at the Royal Infirmary, says that research has shown that the shampoo improves both the dandruff and the seborrhoeic dermatitis. The treatment has to be repeated every two to four weeks.

Ketoconazole shampoo is poorly absorbed and so is free of serious side-effects. It is not, as yet, available on general prescription, but Janssen hopes to market it next year.

Cancer combat



An extensive Scottish study, reported in The Lancet, *of tamoxifen, an anti-cancer agent of very low toxicity, confirms earlier northern European conclusions that its use in all cases of breast cancer would significantly improve survival figures.*

An oestrogen antagonist, tamoxifen (developed by ICI under the brand name Tamofen) inhibits the growth of micrometastases, tiny groups of malignant cells which have spread far from the original tumour. Side-effects of tamoxifen treatment are uncommon. If the bones are involved in the secondary spread of the cancer there is occasionally a temporary flare-up of bone pain; equally uncommon upset stomachs, hot flushes or a recurrence of vaginal bleeding are reported. Very rarely it affects eyesight, in which case the drug should be withdrawn.

Dr Thomas Stuttaford

Cures over the counter

Pharmacists are being urged to hand out medical advice with the toothpaste

At one time, when a visit to the doctor cost money, most people turned to the high street chemist for treatment and advice. With the advent of the National Health Service, more patients went straight to the surgery.

Now the public is again being urged to ask the pharmacist. With the surgery appointment system and prescription charges of £2.40 an item, it can make it a quicker and cheaper alternative.

Six million Britons visit a pharmacy every day and an increasing number are finding it convenient to pick up a cure with the toothpaste.

The trend is being encouraged by the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain, with the Department of Health, the Health Education Authority and the Nuffield Foundation, whose report last year suggested that greater public use should be made of pharmacists' skills. Their use could cut NHS drug bills and save doctors' time.

The tradition of the local pharmacist as village wise man still exists in small communities. During his days in country practice, Bruce Rhodes, now assistant secretary of the PSGB, was consulted not just about illnesses but also by women wanting anything from stain removal advice to abortions. It is to meet this demand that a growing number of pharmacists are creating "consulting areas" where customers can be counselled or even examined.

Marion Rawlings, who has such an area in her shop in Llandaff, south Wales, says: "Sometimes it's a relief just to be able to talk. People say: 'I've got this terrible headache' when really they might mean 'I've lost my job', or 'I've had a row'.

"The community pharmacist is in a unique position, because we are probably the only professionals in health care who see people when they're well as well as when they're ill. There may be less embarrassment, too, because they're accustomed to popping in to buy things."

Now 62, Rawlings was only the second woman to qualify as a pharmacist in England and Wales. Currently there are about two men to every woman, but the present intake of students will soon make it one to one. "It can be an advantage being a woman, because most people who come are women," she says. "They come for their babies and then their children, as well as for their husbands."

In close communities, a pharmacist can be as familiar with someone's medical history and family background as a doctor. In some cases, however, anonymity can be the attraction: no bureaucracy, no medical records. Pregnancy tests can be done without anyone knowing one's proper name, advice can be sought about drug abuse, contraception and Aids.

"A pharmacist is easily accessible and perhaps less intimidating," says Mike Brunt, who is currently trying to allay some of the misunderstandings about Aids at his shop in the small market town of Brandon, Suffolk. He deals frequently with complaints people are socially embarrassed by, such as head and body lice. "People want information now, not in two days."

Pharmacists stress that they know their limitations. They are not, they say, qualified to diagnose and would, where indicated, always tell a patient to see his GP. They see themselves as a safety net: checking prescriptions and reinforcing doctors' instructions.

They are also in the forefront of preventative medicine and health education. Two million leaflets on drug abuse were picked up from pharmacy counters over the past year.

The PSGB would like to see a few more drugs released for their use. There is a three-tier system of control: those on prescription, those that can be sold only by a pharmacist and those that can be sold generally. During the last couple of years, three products have been moved from the first category to the second. The society now wants the same transfer for others.

"The law errs on the side of caution, as it should, but we believe these particular medicines would fill in a couple of gaps in our already considerable range," Rhodes adds.

Liz Gill

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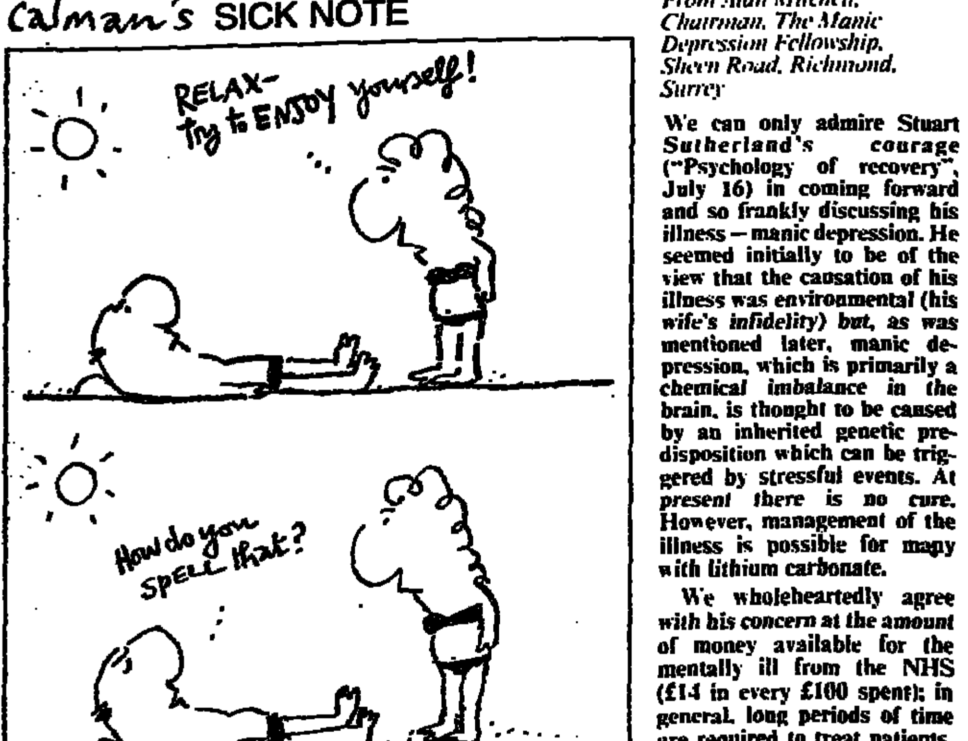
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TALKBACK

From Alan Mitchell, Chairman, The Manic Depression Fellowship, Sheen Road, Richmond, Surrey

We can only admire Stuart Sutherland's courage ("Psychology of recovery", July 16) in coming forward and so frankly discussing his illness – manic depression. He seemed initially to be of the view that the causation of his illness was environmental (his wife's infidelity) but, as was mentioned later, manic depression, which is primarily a chemical imbalance in the brain, is thought to be caused by an inherited genetic predisposition which can be triggered by stressful events. At present there is no cure. However, management of the illness is possible for many with lithium carbonate.

We wholeheartedly agree with his concern at the amount of money available for the mentally ill from the NHS (£14 in every £100 spent); in general, long periods of time are required to treat patients, and one in every five households is affected.

From Mrs G Hodson, Good Easter, Chelmsford, Essex

I read "Harsh medicine" (July 16) with interest, as I am a GP's secretary/receptionist. At our surgery we are all untrained, apart from secretarial skills, all part-time and all aged between 40 and 55. I think the vast majority of our patients would say we are pleasant and reasonable and quite a few do say so.

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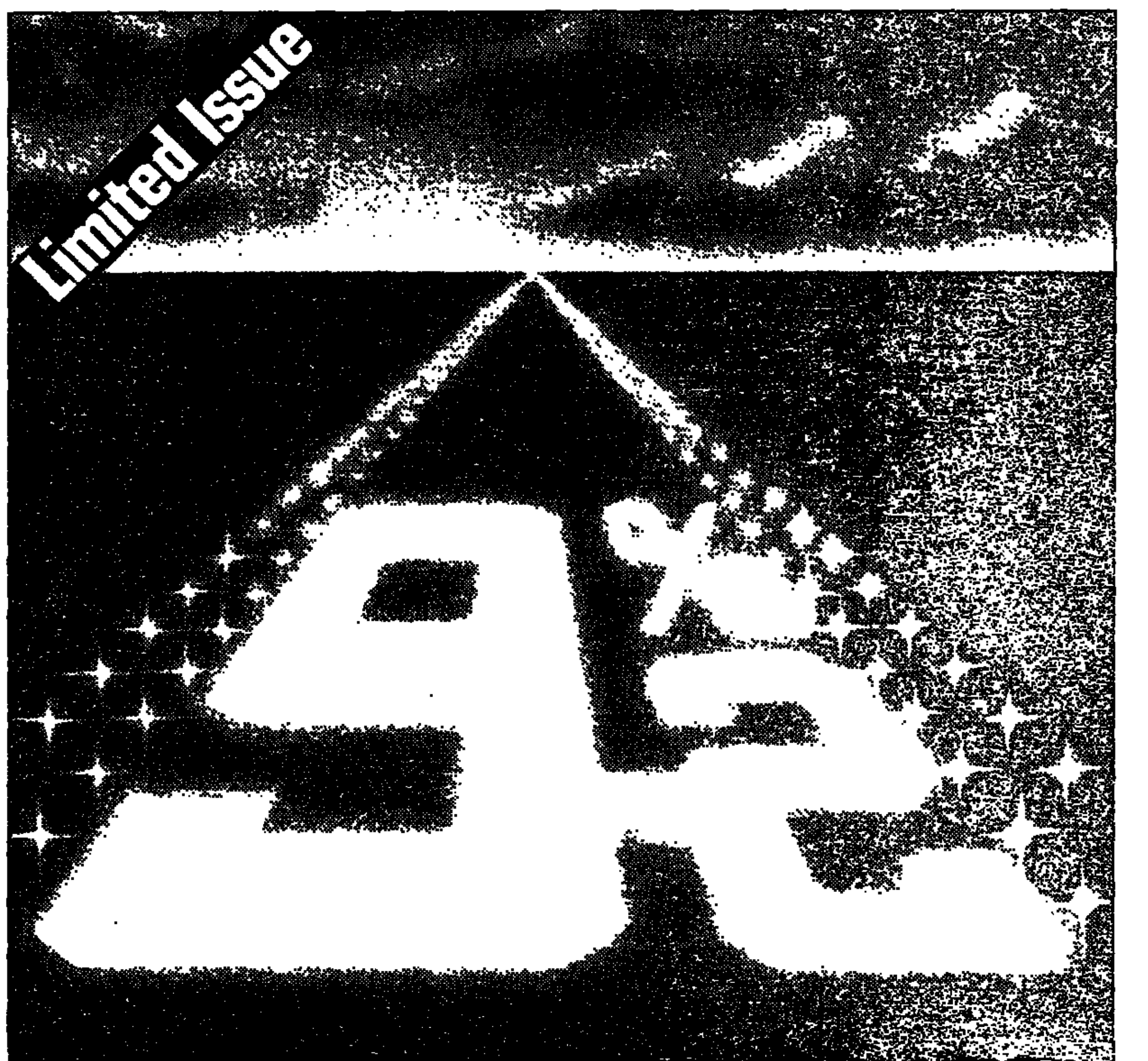

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Keeping off the radar

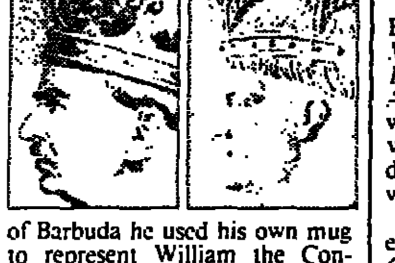
Norman Tebbit is using his retirement to the back benches to pursue his pet interests. The Conservative party chairman is vigorously, if discreetly, pushing for the proposed merger between his former employer, British Airways, and British Caledonian. At a recent meeting of the party's backbench aviation committee, attended by about 50 of his colleagues, the ex-pilot spoke strongly in favour of the move, I hear. When I spoke to Tebbit he stressed that whether the deal is referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission is a decision for the Office of Fair Trading and for Lord Young at the DTI, adding that in his experience "injudicious" lobbying can backfire. I can only conclude that Tebbit's is "judicious".

Back to business

The exodus from Tory Central Office is continuing apace. At long last Tebbit's chief of staff, Michael Dobbs, has announced his return to Saatchis, where he will head corporate communications. Goodbye also to management consultant Sir Christopher Lawson who, as in 1983, seconded himself to Smith Square for the election and masterminded its direct-mail operation. He is returning to work full time at his company, the Communications Centre. "I cannot work indefinitely without pay," he told me. Lawson, known as the Mars Bar because he was midwife to the "work, rest and play" slogan, determined his career on leaving the RAF by sucking a pin into a page of job ads. The rest is history and tooth decay.

Face-saving

Could the government of Guernsey unwittingly be giving a stamp dealer the immortality reserved for monarchs? When the late Charles McMiram acted as stamp consultant to the Caribbean island

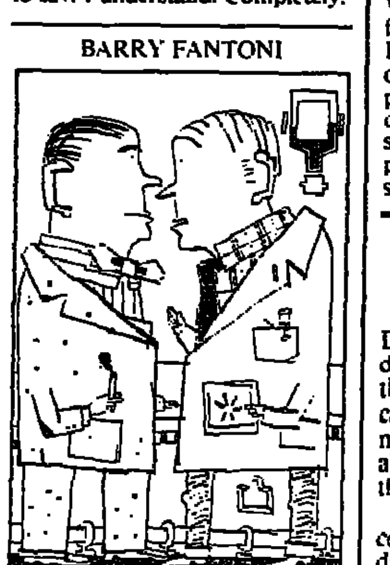


of Barbuda he used his own mug to represent William the Conqueror (left) in a series celebrating England's kings and queens (no definitive portrait exists). Now Guernsey is preparing a £2 coin commemorating the 900th anniversary of William's death. It says the design comes from the face on a ten shilling coin. But it bears an uncanny resemblance to McMiram's regal features, *n'est ce pas?*

Contradictory

George Galloway, Hillhead's new Labour MP, has inadvertantly led me to a wheeze to send Tory backbenchers to meet the Nicaraguan Contras. Through his chief whip, Galloway is complaining to the Serjeant at Arms about the behaviour in Parliament's Central Lobby last week of Marc Gordon and David Hoyle, two former members of the Federation of Conservative Students who have marched with the Contras in Nicaragua. Galloway, general secretary of War on Want, says they called him a "red fascist". He wants an apology and to know who invited them in. Gordon and Hoyle — who was brought up in Rhodesia and describes himself as a foreign affairs consultant — yesterday contested Galloway's account and accused him of starting the row. Hoyle says they were at Westminster to discuss "an on-going project" to arrange meetings with Contra leaders. "I cannot therefore discuss which MPs and staff we were meeting," he explains. As Brian Walden used to say, I understand. Completely.

BARRY FANTONI



'Just a small one — I'm taking a breath test in a couple of hours'

Accolade

Only days after the announcement that the American-based novelist Alexander Solzhenitsyn is sending his elder son, Yemolai, to Eton in September, I hear that younger brother Ignat has won a music scholarship to the Purcell School in London. Headmaster John Bain describes the 14-year-old as an "outstanding, fine and promising pianist". If you win a Nobel prize and the world becomes your oyster, it seems that private British education is the pearl.

PHS

Nuclear bluff finally called

by Enoch Powell

We do not yet know if there will be a "double zero" agreement between the Soviet Union and the United States. But what of that? The event that matters has already taken place: the announcement by the British and the other Western European governments that they wanted the agreement to be made. Admittedly they had little choice. The state of public opinion behind them would scarcely have permitted them to do otherwise. Chancellor Kohl tried to resist but the West Germans dragged him through the hedge backwards.

One could almost sympathize with them in their predicament. For all the political lives of most of them they have been reciting the credo of the nuclear deterrent, and purporting to base upon it their military — yes, and their budgetary — policies. Then suddenly they have to kiss the nuclear deterrent goodbye. The very weapons which they insisted must be based in their territories in order to maintain the nuclear deterrent intact are — so they must affect to hope — to be taken away with their enthusiastic approval. That old incredibility, for which the intermediate range missiles were supposed to be the antedote, the incredibility of the United States committing nuclear suicide on the least progress of a military incursion into Western Europe, now stares them in the face again. Their trousers have been removed.

One hope remains to them. Supposing nobody were to notice? To this end are bent all the bland efforts of those who have staked their reputations for so long upon the nuclear deterrent. The effrontery of the attempt is breathtaking; but it is not quite hopeless. So many people, so many interests, have invested so much in the nuclear deterrent.

Two devices are brought into use. One is to pretend that only ground-to-ground missiles are at stake: seaborne and airborne missiles will serve just as well the same purpose of preventing the US being "decoupled" from the defence of Western Europe. Lavish applications of credulity are necessary to commend this reassurance, coming as it does from those who until recently were defying public outcry and outfacing physical opposition precisely in order to install those ground-to-ground missiles which it is now claimed are superfluous.

The alternative device is to concentrate attention on short-range missiles, by inquiring innocently: "How short is short?" There are, it appears, or there are to be, nuclear weapons so minuscule that they can be retained and played with quite innocuously outside any "double-zero" agreement. We shall still have our nuclear peashooters, the apologists declare, so what is the trouble? The trouble is that the nuclear deterrent deters, if at all, because no belligerent or potential belligerent would face the prospect of weapons so devastating and so indiscriminate being used. Reduce those weapons to the dimension of super or not-so-super artillery, and the deterrent has gone.

The devices will not work. They will not hold at bay for long the general realization that the nuclear deterrent theory has disintegrated. They will not delay for long the consequences of that disintegration. From the point of view of a nuclear-free Europe, which the European governments and peoples have seen themselves obliged to acclaim, the rest of the world will look strangely different. The United States may continue to explore the technology of defence against inter-continental missile assault, but it will no longer be the self-evidently indispensable protector of the nations of Western and Southern Europe. American perceptions and policies will begin to lose their hold on other Nato members. Their place will be filled by a balance of power between groups of nations, diverse in their situations, interests and aspirations. The concept of the solidarity of something called "the West", which was necessary so long as it defined the conditions for being prepared to unleash unimaginable devastation on mankind, need no longer be sustained as the condition of enjoying the protection of that overhanging threat.

Disparity of armaments and forces, which was supposed to be unimportant in the presence of the nuclear deterrent, will go on being lived with after the deterrent has ceased to be credible. Ministers of defence and finance will find new and more rational grounds for declining to match gun with gun and division with division in parallel columns which make no allowance for the hazards and consequences of aggressive conventional war. Thoughts and questions that would have been wildly heretical and irresponsible before Europe went non-nuclear, or before the prospect of a non-nuclear Europe was welcomed, can be canvassed and debated with impunity. I would dare to number among them the British commitment of 55,000 men to the European continent and, with this, the composition and balance of our armed forces as between air/sea effort and land effort.

A half-hearted attempt will perhaps be made to sustain an argument for the British and French nationally controlled nuclear weapons; but it will be a hopeless rearguard action, a desperate retrospective endeavour at self-justification on the part of those who have never been prepared to allow their theory to be tested in hypothetical scenarios. The perfectly sound objection that one should not guarantee to take specific military action in specific circumstances offers no excuse for inability or unwillingness to spell out the circumstances of the *potential* use of a weapon.

The whole business of the nuclear deterrent had been a gigantic bluff from the beginning. What a lark that it should be the Russians, with their cosmic sense of humour, who have called it. And the best of the lark is that the bluff will still have been called if no agreement happens.

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Dennis Kavanagh examines the cloak and dagger Conservative scheming over election advertising — and finds it has deep political roots

Remarketing Margaret

In the United States Theodore H. White blazed a trail with his prize-winning *The Making of the President 1960*. He was accepted as an insider by the Kennedys and, luckily for White, Kennedy won the election. White wrote up Kennedy as a hero and played no small part in fostering the Kennedy myth.

The last attempt to write a British version of White was *The Making of the Prime Minister 1970* by Andrew Alexander and Alan Watkins. It was a flop: it was written in haste, thin and, as the victorious Edward Heath mordantly observed, they got the winner wrong.

An instant history of the 1987 election, *Campaign! The Selling Of The Prime Minister* by the journalist Rod Tyler is of more interest, but not for the reasons probably intended by the author. It is written from within only a single part of the Thatcher camp. The other political parties and the rest of the Conservative Party hardly get a mention.

Since June 11, newspaper readers have been regaled with differing accounts of the part played by rival advertising agencies in the Conservative election victory. In particular, we have read in *The Times* of a secret campaign operation conducted by the advertising agency Young & Rubicam, which supplied Mrs Thatcher with survey information and strategic advice without the knowledge of the party's official advertising agency, Saatchi & Saatchi, or of Norman Tebbit, party chairman.

Tyler's book provides details of another "secret" campaign, this time by Lord Young and Tim Bell. Bell had managed the Conservative account when he was managing director at Saatchis in 1979 and 1983, and established excellent relations with Mrs Thatcher. He left Saatchis, amid acrimony, in 1984. Tyler's book describes how Mrs Thatcher was in a state of panic on Thursday, June 4, at the prospect of losing the election, furious with Saatchis and Central Office; his case is that she was saved almost single-handedly by Bell.

In 1959 the Conservatives were the first party to use an advertising agency, Colman, Prentis and Varley. Labour attacked the party for selling politics like a detergent. By 1964, however, Labour had its own advertising men. Today all parties accept the important role of advertising, but some Tories still only acquiesce in it. In particular they have deplored the soap-opera way in which these

activities have been aired in the national press (*pas devant les domestiques*).

The true story (which Tyler only dimly perceives) fuses the ambitions of rival politicians, political ideologies and commercial calculations of advertising agencies. Rows about the advertising were a surrogate for more serious political battles in the party and for the succession to Mrs Thatcher.

To make sense of what became known as "nervous Thursday" or "wobbly Thursday" and the various claims and counter-claims one has to step back in time. In the 1983 election the Conservatives were united. Saatchis followed an agreed strategy, and Mrs Thatcher had a campaign team of Parkinson, Bell and Sir Gordon Reece, which she found personally reassuring. None of these conditions was repeated in 1987, and her three communicators were all, for various reasons, outside the official campaign.

Above all, however, it is the legacy of Westland which is crucial for understanding the personality dynamics and traumas of the Tory campaign. In early 1986, Mrs Thatcher's position was weak. Two ministers had resigned, her leadership style was under criticism, she lost important battles in Cabinet, and many ministers openly talked of the need to replace her.

At this time she grew more convinced that Norman Tebbit was using Central Office to advance his own claims to the succession. Henceforth, she looked with a jaundiced eye at the activities of Tebbit, Central Office and Saatchis. It was an impossible situation. She neither backed Tebbit nor sacked him.

With the breakdown of the Thatcher-Tebbit axis, a rump of the old "wets" — Lord Whitelaw, John Wakeham and Douglas Hurd — became more important to her. Paradoxically, they were her protectors; one said: "If she goes, I go."

Through the good offices of Lord Whitelaw, Mrs Thatcher was made aware of the work of Young & Rubicam. This was explained to her in a series of meetings by Geoffrey Tucker (a former publicity chief under Ted Heath, but a firm supporter of Mrs Thatcher). The Y & R research and advice, gave her reassurance that Westland was a passing problem for voters and that defectors from the Tory party still believed in many Thatcherite values but wanted to see her exercising stronger leadership and doing something to meet their concerns over education and the health service.

The Y & R research was distributed to a select group of senior ministers, but not to Tebbit. Tyler, the "insider", hardly knows about this operation.

One secret campaign is remarkable, two is extraordinary. Mrs Thatcher had her own research and strategic input, quite independent of Central Office. In effect, there were three different advertising agencies tied to three groups of politicians each vying for the Prime Minister's attention. Tim Bell operated through Lord Young, Y & R through Whitelaw and Wakeham, and Saatchis through Tebbit. Tyler describes some of the elaborate precautions which her staff had to take to ensure that representatives of the different advertising agencies did not meet.

Among the rows that have since ensued is one over which agency created the final slogan, "Britain's A Success Again. Don't Let Labour Ruin It." All three agencies developed almost identical slogans. But it has to be remembered that the message strongly echoed Harold Macmillan's "Life's Better with the Conservatives. Don't Let Labour Ruin It." The person who created that slogan was Geoffrey Tucker (then with CPV) and now a consultant with Y & R. And in 1959 a young Tim Bell worked with the same group. Advertising is a small world.

Campaign! is written by a self-admitted admirer of the Prime Minister. However, she emerges as petulant, panicky and deceitful. On the strength of a fumbling radio performance, a brave and skilful chief whip is dismissed ("that man will never hold high office in my government again"). This is not the lady who saw off Heath, General Galtieri and Scargill. The only hero of the book is Tim Bell. Mrs Thatcher emerges as Archie Andrews to Bell's Peter Brough.

Tyler's book does, however, remind us that election campaigns matter a lot more to politicians and advertising men than to ordinary voters. Surveys have found that less than 2 per cent of all voters in 1987, claim to have been influenced by the press advertisements or posters, over which so much blood was spilt.

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A suspect way to nail the drunks

Doctors are at least as worried as drivers by the High Court decision that blood alcohol level may be calculated well after an alleged motoring offence by assuming that alcohol has been eliminated from the body at a standard rate.

Judges may recognize the concept of an average drinker getting drunk, or sobering up, at an average rate, but a quick glance around any bar will show that people vary widely in their capacity to deal with alcohol. Further, the widest variations occur in those very people most likely to be on a drink-driving charge, the heavy drinkers.

It is a useful guide that a pub measure of whisky, a glass of wine or half a pint of beer will increase the blood alcohol level by 15mg/100ml in an average man, and by 20mg/100ml in women, who are smaller and have less body water. (The legal driving limit is 80mg/100ml.) In the male, alcohol is eliminated at the rate of 15mg/100ml, the equivalent of one drink an hour.

But the heavy drinker who has not developed severe disease makes nonsense of these calculations. He metabolizes alcohol faster, so that blood alcohol levels climb less quickly, and after closing time drop faster. At this stage in his life he enjoys a reputation as a hard drinker who can hold his liquor.

Once liver damage becomes severe, however, this sort of drinker goes to the opposite extreme. A patient with any degree of cirrhosis claims quite honestly as he totters round the bar that he has only had two sherries; his liver now metabolizes alcohol so slowly that he becomes drunk very easily.

Liver disease would thus cause a mistakenly high reading in any back calculation of alcohol consumption. Moreover, liver disease, which is by no means always alcohol induced, is often silent in its onset. An accused driver might be unaware that he has liver trouble and fail to demand consideration for it when the police make their calculation.

There are other factors which make it difficult to be dogmatic about the rate in which alcohol is eliminated. It is a commonplace observation that women get drunk more rapidly than men, but less frequently noticed that they also sober up more slowly. The alcohol elimination rate for the average woman may be only half that of men. Most of this difference can be accounted for by differences in body weight and structure, but there may also be hormonal factors, in which case the effect of different brands of the contraceptive pill could provide an endless source for courtroom discussion.

Other drugs increase the rate of alcohol elimination. Tagamet, widely prescribed for indigestion, increases the rate by 25 per cent; small doses of barbiturates, taken regularly, and some anti-epileptic drugs have similar effects. Any food containing fructose increases the rate of elimination.

The British Medical Association and the Police Surgeons Association have expressed concern over the decision to allow back calculations. However, although it seems to be the majority medical view that the variations in alcohol metabolism militate against such calculations, some doctors disagree, including Dr T.J. Peters, physician and head of the division of cell biology at the Medical Research Council, who is the acknowledged expert on alcohol metabolism.

Dr Peters feels that, provided the accused motorist is given the benefit of any doubt by always basing calculations on the slowest possible rate at which alcohol could be eliminated, back estimation is a fair procedure, the accuracy of which has been proved by many years of forensic medicine.

But if a patient of mine was convicted of drunken driving as a result of back calculation I would feel that, unless he had liver screening and unless the court had a close knowledge of his lifestyle, I could never be certain that the judgment was fair. Until there is more experience in back calculation for patients with reduced liver function, it seems unwise for the police to use such a method to obtain a conviction.

Dr Thomas Stuttaford

Ronald Butt

Abandoning the beaten track

How should our leading politicians spend the parliamentary recess apart from a period of recreation and keeping the red boxes moving? A similar question was asked by Walter Bagehot in an article in the *Economist* on November 12, 1864. He came up with a surprising answer: elevating oratory. He saw the recess as an opportunity for ministers to escape the "artificial state of mind" produced by the "combat and conflict" of parliamentary oratory." In the recess, he thought, they should be able to "elevate the public mind by the spectacle of great men speaking naturally as well as greatly upon great things."

That is not exactly what we would ask of them. But then the mid-Victorians did not live with saturation political coverage as we do; nor did their politicians (or their speech writers) produce a deluge of speeches week in and week out as ours do making party points and justifying policy, most of which are destined for wastepaper baskets. The conditions of our time require not more political oratory, however elevating, but that the politicians should take more time to think.

Victorian politicians could think all the year round if they chose, though even Bagehot elsewhere bemoaned the lack of thinking in government. They were not bombarded with advice from their civil servants and special advisers, put under daily pressure from the press and television, funnelled from place to place by their private offices, and always meeting, minuting and reading. Our politicians suffer all this and the recess offers them the chance to reclaim their minds for their own use. But against what criteria should they think?

Here Bagehot has something to say which is relevant to our time. His idea of an "elevating orator" was Mr Gladstone who commanded not only words but "ideas new enough to be instructive and familiar enough to be delightful." Gladstone," he wrote, "tells the multitude what they *almost* knew, and tells it wonderfully well." Responsible ministers seeking to keep the confidence of ordinary men could not be "exceedingly original" and must "shun the seeming eccentricity of novel truth." Their job was to popularize "all truth just accepted", and none did this better than Gladstone.

Successful government still usually expresses what people "*almost* knew", which explains Mrs Thatcher's three election victories. People in the street already virtually knew what had to be done from their own experience of a strike-torn and inflation-ridden society. Most of the answers were provided by the economists and others who questioned the formerly established views of post-war Britain which Labour and the Alliance (as it used to be called) have been losers in defending.

What the politicians have to do in this recess is to test themselves against what the public "almost knows" now. Labour's leaders have been making quite a good job of it. They show signs of understanding that they must come to terms with Thatcherism. The leftists will fight it tooth and claw and are more likely than not to use their power to frustrate reason. Yet when Michael Meacher concedes that the Conservatives won because most people are better off, when Bryan Gould wants Labour to give people what they want, when the market-thinking of the new men of the soft left make the old egalitarian reflexes of Roy Hattersley look silly, it is a sign of listening and learning. How else can Labour avoid a fourth defeat and possible extinction?

The government, on the other hand, shows fewer signs of trying to underland and express the new factors in what the public now "*almost* knows". A little self-questioning is needed, starting with the poll tax. It was drawn freely and liberally with a broad brush before the election, leaving the details to be filled in afterwards, and is widely seen as intrinsically unfair and difficult to operate. Ministers are now therefore thinking about how to phase it in slowly, which simply prolongs the danger. They should rather think about some of the fundamentals and ask whether, for the sake of them, they want to risk alienating the public from generally good local government reforms and whether the tax will really achieve its aim of promoting local accountability.

As they prepare to privatize water and electricity they should also think hard about the manner in which the former state monopoliies now privatized are working. They should ponder on the appalling consumer record of British Telecom, with its glossy advertising for custom it fails to satisfy. We all have our experiences; where I live it is almost always impossible for anyone to telephone to be met late at night from the undergound station because the public telephones (including cardphones) do not work. Every evening this week I have wasted much time failing to telephone a series of numbers in the Home Counties and Midlands because the lines from London were engaged. If the shareholders are satisfied, the customers are not.

Ministers should reflect that most people are no more attached to privatization for dogma's sake than to nationalization. They are interested in results. When thinking about privatizing monopolistic utilities, they must not be hooked on their own dogma.

Bagehot, for all his wisdom, was not always right and he had something to say about Disraeli which might serve as a warning to us all. Disraeli, he thought, would always so overplay his hand as to keep the Liberals in and the Conservatives out of power. "It would be an act of intelligent gratitude in the Whigs to present him with a testimonial, for he is the best friend they have found for many years." That, of course, is the sort of thing that we say, and with much better reason, of Mr Kinnock's Labour Party. In 1868 Disraeli became prime minister in preparation for his great ministry of 1874. Yet he had had to restore a party that had been broken as Labour has not been.

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however . . . Chaim Bermant

Still life with gun and mail

I recently had a chance to play the hero, and muffed it.

I have the good fortune to live in what is perhaps the quietest and most charming suburb in London. Apart from occasional burglaries there is little to disturb the even tenor of life — or at least the even tenor of my life. My busy day is usually Thursday, when I summon sufficient energy to go to the local post office to buy stamps and send parcels, and it was there, of all places, that my chance came.

I had just joined a lengthy queue when a young man in a grubby boiler-suit pulled out a gun. He motioned to a postman who had brought in some mailbags to go outside. He didn't push the man or raise his voice; but for the gun in his hand, he might have been asking him out for a drink.

I am not sure if anyone else realized what was happening, for if they did, they were phlegmatic about it. Counter staff continued to serve customers, people continued to buy stamps and post letters, while the queue edged steadily forward. But I, moved more by curiosity than anything else, went outside, and saw three men lined up against the side of a mail van with their hands in the air.

The gunman, with pistol still in hand, was threatening the driver. The man was lean, about 5ft 10in, youngish, with ginger hair and a ginger moustache. He had his back half turned to me — I was about five yards behind him.

As far as I could see, the gunman had no accomplice. I am large and rather heavy. It would not have been difficult for me to jump on him and — with the help of the postmen — disarm him.

Why didn't I? It is not always easy for a man to know his own motives, but one reason, certainly, was that I couldn't quite believe it was happening. From what I could see, neither could the postmen, for they stood there grinning sheepishly, like badly rehearsed extras in an Ealing comedy. In fact I looked around half-expecting to see a film crew, and if I did nothing it was at least partly because I was afraid of making a fool of myself.

Wasn't I afraid of the gun? I don't think I was. Fear and intrepidity are contagious. I have only been under fire once in my life, and that in the company of hardened newsmen, and I wasn't nearly as nervous as I thought I would be.

To the postmen lined up against the van it was, apparently, all in a day's work, for although they did as they were told, there was nothing in their manner to suggest alarm or stress. Moreover, the gun was so small and toy-like that it did not seem lethal, and in so far as it did, it was difficult to imagine that the young man would pull the trigger. He looked like a mechanic from the garage next door. Yet I stood there gaping, silent, inert.

I like to think that if there had been shouting, violence, bloodshed I might have been galvanized into action (or flight), but the episode seemed so devoid of menace or noise and was over so quickly that there was little scope either for heroics or cowardice. Both call for a sense of occasion, and there was none.

The whole incident could not have lasted more than two to three minutes. The gunman grabbed some metal cash boxes and fled, and it was only when the postmen ran after him that I emerged from my stupor and joined the chase. I don't know what I would have done if we had actually caught up with him, but he turned out to have an accomplice waiting in a car, and disappeared.

When I returned breathless to the post office two young constables were questioning bystanders. A little later a police car pulled up, then a police van with dog handlers. Finally there arrived some plain-clothed men in a plain-clothed car, who questioned me at length, while people in the post office queue gave me dark looks, no doubt thinking that I was the culprit.

By the time I got home some helpful soul had already telephoned my wife to say I was having trouble with the police. It was all rather ingominious, but I dare say I should be able to dine out on it.

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THE TIMES

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HEATED QUESTION

When the UK economy is growing faster than any other major economy it is natural to ask whether it is not in danger of "overheating" – in other words whether there is a danger of high inflation coming back. At present it is just under four per cent – in the dark 1970s it reached around 30 per cent. The question *would not be such an obvious one in Germany* or Japan, or even in the US. Other countries have shown that a rapid rate of growth need *not be inconsistent with keeping inflation* under control. But with an economic record like Britain's over the past 25 years the question is bound to be posed.

Recent evidence is ambiguous. Last week the Government announced another month of very rapid growth in bank lending and a trade deficit in May which brought an abrupt end to a run of monthly surpluses. The financial markets drew the obvious conclusion from these two classic harbingers of an economy beginning to run into trouble. They fell sharply. But this week the Confederation of British Industry has confidently declared on the basis of its latest quarterly trends survey that there is no evidence of any overheating and that strong competition is continuing to limit price increases.

An acceleration in prices may come about in a number of ways, but typically in the 1960s and 1970s it showed itself in production lines which could not produce any faster – leading to companies putting up their prices to maximize profits and choke off demand. Competition for scarce resources of skilled labour tended to raise pay levels. When governments accommodated the financial effects of this – as for electoral reasons they normally did – it was inflationary in the short term. In the long term, it was one of the great causes of unemployment. And meanwhile *demand which domestic producers could not* satisfy was supplied by a rising level of imports.

The CBI survey did indeed show an increase in the number of firms working at "capacity". But the proportion has not changed very much *since 1984 in a period when output has* increased substantially, so increased investment and rising productivity have apparently raised capacity considerably during that period and will probably continue to do so.

Skilled labour shortages were cited by half as many firms again as likely to limit output as in the previous survey. But at 18 per cent the figure is still well below the 50-60 per cent level reached in the inflationary boom of 1973. Pay *levels are rising rapidly, but for the moment* manufacturing productivity is rising almost as fast – *keeping costs subdued while companies do not report large price increases pending.*

Some deterioration in the current account of the balance of payments is likely during the remainder of the year even if the May figures prove to exaggerate the move into deficit. To the extent that this reflects rising purchase of West German cars and Japanese videos then the signs that we are on the familiar primrose path to perdition will be urgent.

Much of the rise in imports, however, may *reflect an impending surge in investment by* industry. Although the imports which industry's capital spending may generate are likely to put pressure on the trade balance in the short term, in the longer term a higher rate of investment in Britain is much to be welcomed.

Demand in the economy at present is clearly buoyant. Credit and money are growing rapidly – although the fastest growing measures of the money supply owe more to changes in the operations of financial institutions. Consumer spending is at a high level. Prices for some assets such as houses are rising rapidly. In these circumstances it behoves the Government to be cautious.

There are, however, encouraging signs that supply in the economy is also increasing satisfactorily. The workforce is more productive and there is some evidence of quality improvements. An economy only begins to overheat if it cannot supply the demands which are made upon it. So far worries about overheating remain unproven.

TESTING CONFIDENCE

The law's uncertainty on how to deal fairly *with the intractable problem of drink driving* was clearly illustrated in this week's High Court decisions by the two judges who heard *appeals against convictions handed down by* magistrates. The convictions were secured by a breathaylizer apparatus which estimated how *much alcohol had been consumed by the* defendants about four hours before the accidents. Lord Justice Watkins and Mr Justice *Mann were hearing two test cases on the* admissibility of evidence based on such back-calculation of blood-alcohol levels.

*Both judges upheld the principal of back-*calculation. But Lord Justice Watkins described this right to backtrack as mis*chievous. Mr Justice Mann said that those who* drove while over the prescribed limit could not necessarily escape punishment because of the *lapse of time. Justice is to be found somewhere* between the two.

Doubt about the decision is increased by the *many reservations which the court itself had* about the new test. Magistrates would find themselves confronted with evidence of a *complicated and scientific nature. They would* have to be very careful and sure of the scientific evidence. The prosecution should not rely on *evidence of backtracking except where it was* easily understood and clearly persuasive of excess alcohol at the time of driving. It would *be difficult to imagine how a court could better* raise doubts about its own decision.

Nor is the medical evidence satisfactory. *The rate at which alcohol is burned up in the* body system apparently varies from one person to another and can differ even within *the same individual* at different times. In attacking the judgment the British Medical *Association said that the public must have* confidence in the integrity of scientific tests otherwise they will be devalued. It is difficult if *not impossible to see how that confidence can* be maintained by the present decision, particularly in the wake of the lukewarm *reception by the Magistrates' Association* and the Association of Police Surgeons.

The obvious unhappiness of the Divisional Court *in reaching their decision* was underlined by Mr Gould's case. He had originally been convicted on a back calculation showing *that it was "likely" that he had been over the* prescribed limit. This initial failure even to apply the correct criminal standard of proof is *deeply worrying. Moreover public confidence* in the magistracy is now all the more vital when, if the law stands as it does now, there *will almost certainly be increased allegations of* officious police officers bullying hapless drivers.

This was a problem touched on by Lord Justice Watkins. In such a sensitive and difficult area of the law it is both unwise and *unfair to allow mud to be slung without also* providing some kind of shield for those on the receiving end.

Drink driving is so serious a social menace that it must be dealt with harshly. It is therefore tempting to applaud any decision which makes *it harder for the motorist who drinks.* But a rule which is as demonstrably weak as this one only serves to bring the law into disrepute and ultimately helps no one, least of all the police who through the Association of Chief Police Officers appear to be the one agency which welcomes the decision.

THE MASTER'S TABLE

They used to say that you could tell a Balliol man anywhere, but you *could not tell him* much. The college was widely regarded, even outside Balliol, as the intellectual élite of Oxford University. It was secure *in its* effortless superiority. What a Balliol man didn't know wasn't knowledge.

This year's Norrington *Table*, which grades Oxford colleges academically by their performance in Finals, has changed all that. Balliol has sunk from ninth to *seventeenth out of 28* and is in the bottom half of the table for the first time. The world, or at any rate Oxford *University, is turned upside* down. The Isis and Cherwell flow backwards uphill.

Of course, such league tables are crude measurements. *How can you sensibly* grade a congratulatory First in numerical analysis and computer science against a dogged, comm*iseratory Third in Literae Humaniores*; or vice versa? There is more to a university education, it will be said, than the rough-and-ready *calibration* of the classes obtained in its degrees.

There can be aberrant examiners too and *sudden vintage years* of undergraduates; these may be just as important factors as the brilliant dons and long traditions of good teaching in particular subjects. Some might even claim that league tables are inherently vulgar and materialistic; but that would not be a good argument for a college like Balliol with its tradition for radicalism and questioning as well as intellectual excellence.

The Norrington Table may be rough, but it is the best measurement of the individual colleges that we have.Over the years, for example, it has confirmed the fears of Somerville and the former women's colleges that they would suffer when almost all the colleges started admitting undergraduates of both sexes. The Oxford women's colleges have a proud, pioneering tradition; but inevitably they cannot compete with the far older men's foundations for glamour, architecture, comfort, history, wealth, and the scholarship and teaching that ancient wealth can buy, at least in part. *It is not surprising* and no shame that the newer women's foundations are grouped in a bunch near the foot of the table.

It is of great consolation that even the colleges at the bottom of the table are achieving better results than the leaders thirty years ago, when Balliol was head of the examinations river. The fuller admission of women, the opening of the gates to undergraduates from the *state system, the death of the old school tie* with the disappearance of sporting or gentlemen's Thirds, and the intense com*petition for a place at Oxford have produced an* improvement in examination results all round.

A generation ago one undergraduate in three got a Third or a Fourth. Today more than twothirds of undergraduates get a First or an Upper Second. The examination system is *designed and monitored to ensure that there is* continuity and no decline in standards for the different classes over the years. Perhaps the whole university has become the intellectual *crème de la crème* that Balliol used to be.

Another long-term trend is the split between the *rankings of different colleges* in Oxford's traditional arts degrees and in the newer sciences and technologies that it used, in the insufferable *Oxford manner*, to leave to Cambridge and other lesser universities. University and St John's have generally alternated in the *lead at the top of the table* for the past 10 years, and have replaced Balliol at least temporarily as the colleges with the best overall results in Finals. But if you break down the results, Keble comes top this year for sciences, and Magdalen for arts and the social sciences.

It may be a *sign of uncharacteristic Balliol* conservatism that it comes twenty-sixth in the league in science results this year. Can it be that the nursery of so *many intellectuals* and statesmen and eminent thinkers and doers is living on past glories, and for once is not facing the future and making *it work*? Well rowed Keble. Come on, Balliol. We need you.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Next steps on public-house bombs

From the Secretary of State for the Home Department

Sir, Your leading article of July 28 rightly stressed the importance of the power which I have under section 17 of the Criminal Appeal Act 1968 to refer cases to the Court of Appeal. But it does not give your readers a clear account of the way in which that power is exercised.

My predecessors were right in exercising this power of reference only when there was new and substantial matter which was not before the court and which might have affected the original verdict. That is to say, they decided that it would not be right to refer a case simply because there was a substantial body of opinion which believed, without any new matter *before it, that the original judge or* jury had made a mistake.

I agree, for to act on that basis would indeed be to risk turning the use of the power into a lottery. But where there is new and substantial matter the Court of Appeal *should have a chance to* consider it.

At the beginning of the year I looked at all the cases which you mention with this principle in mind. In the Birmingham case there was a new possible witness, Mr Clarke, and a *development* which affected the forensic evidence at the trial. On these grounds I referred the case, and the Court of Appeal will hear it in November.

Although many distinguished people argued at that time that the verdicts in the Guildford and Maguire cases were wrong, there *was in* my judgment no new and substantial matter which the Court of Appeal had not had before it. In particular the confessions of the so-called Balcombe Street gang in respect of the Guildford case which you cite were certainly *not* new; they had been considered and rejected by the Court of Appeal.

Of course it is always possible to look again at cases if new material should emerge and, since my decision earlier this year, it has been argued *that there is new and* substantial matter in respect of the Guildford and Woolwich (but not the Maguire) case. In particular a statement by Mrs Fox purporting to provide an alibi for Paul Hill on the night of the Woolwich bombing was carried on the *First Tuesday* programme of March 3.

On July 23 I received a deputa*tion led by Cardinal Hume*, who had previously sent me a compendium of legal and factual material which, they argued, was new and substantial. I am now examining that and other relevant material to see if a reference to the Court of *Appeal in the Guildford and* Woolwich case would be justified.

These are matters which my advisers and I consider with painstaking care, recognising that they go to the heart of confidence in British justice. They certainly cannot be dealt with except on the basis of settled principle, and I believe that the principle briefly summarised above, and set out by me in the House of Commons at greater length on January 20, is the right one.

Yours faithfully,
DOUGLAS HURD,
Home Office,
Queen Anne's Gate, SW1.
July 29.

From Mr Chris Mullin, MP for Sunderland South (Labour) and Sir John Farr, MP for Harborough (Conservative)

Sir, We are members of Parliament concerned with the case of Birmingham pub bombings for which we believe six innocent men have been convicted. We write to express our concern at the unsupervised police inquiry which has, for the last five months, been taking place into evidence which will shortly be placed before the Court of Appeal.

On January 20 the Home Secretary announced that he was taking the unusual step of referring the case back to the Court of Appeal following the discovery of new evidence. He also announced that he was asking *the Devon and* Cornwall Police to undertake an inquiry into statements by a former West Midlands policeman, Tom Clarke, that he had seen the men being mistreated in police custody.

This inquiry has now been proceeding for five months. It involves about 30 policemen who have, between them, taken more than 700 statements from every conceivable witness. One of us, Chris Mullin, has twice been interviewed by senior police officers and has formed the view that, as is common with inquiries of this sort, they are displaying an unhealthy preoccupation with discrediting Mr Clarke rather than establishing how the convicted men came by the injuries which no *one disputes they received during* their first three days in custody.

Attempts to have this inquiry *placed under impartial* supervision have so far failed and we understand that its report will not be published.

This is the second time the Home Office has asked senior police officers from another force to investigate claims that the confessions, which formed a major part of the prosecution case, were beaten out of the convicted men.

The first inquiry was conducted 10 years ago by Mr David Owen, *the present Chief Constable of* North Wales. His report was never published, but he was reported to have found the West Midlands Police entirely blameless. Although we do not wish to prejudge the outcome of the present inquiry *nor impugn the integrity of the* officers involved, we would be surprised if they came to any different conclusion.

The case of the Birmingham pub bombings has aroused unprecedented public interest. If ever there was a case where justice needs to be seen to be done, this is it. In the circumstances no one at the Home Office is entitled to be surprised if the conduct of this latest investigation leads to renewed cries of "Foul play!" The solution, surely, would have been to place the inquiry under the supervision of the Police Complaints Authority.

Yours faithfully,
CHRIS MULLIN,
JOHN FARR,
House of Commons.

Archer libel case

From Lord Shawcross, QC

Sir, It was understandable that Mr Ludovic Kennedy, as a leader of so-called "investigative" journalism, should seek (July 28) to *support his colleagues* in that trade by attacking the judge before whom the Archer case was tried, rather than attempting to justify the indefensible conduct of his fellow tradesmen. But many of us will have found it refreshing to read *the robust summing-up* in which the learned (and very experienced) judge, whilst emphasizing to the jury that the verdict was entirely for them, uninfluenced by any view he might express unless they agreed with it, exercised the right of all judges to indicate his own personal opinion on some of the factors in the case.

One such factor is that the spouses in very happy marriages rarely resort to prostitutes. Mr Kennedy's suggestion (based on entirely different cases) that sometimes they do, seems characteristically irrelevant.

For the rest, most thoughtful people will agree with the views expressed by Miss Frances Pilkington in the letter you publish from her today.

Yours faithfully,
HARTLEY SHAWCROSS,
House of Lords.
July 29.

MPs' pay rise

From Mr Robin Jenks

Sir, Your list (July 23) showing MPs' standing in the pay league needs a little amplification. The High Court judge at the top of the list receives no tax-free perquisites at all. I know one who writes all his judgements in long- hand. Yet the tax free element in the MP's *package of remuneration is to be* £38,495 a year.

If this was grossed up to give the MP the same net income his gross income would need to be £75,834. And that is what he should declare that he has to the public. And it *would put him at the top of your* league.

Yours faithfully,
ROBIN JENKS,
26 Alderbrook Road, SW12.

Sources of income

From the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Salford

Sir, In your report of the Adam *Smith Institute's paper, A degree of privacy* (July 27), you quote this university as obtaining 43 per cent of its income from industrial sources. This is not correct. We currently obtain that fraction of our income from sources other than Government grants-in-aid (via the University Grants Committee) and the fees paid by our British students.

There are a number of such sources: fees from adult and foreign students; contract research and development done for industrial (and other) clients; consultancy fees of a variety of kinds etc, in fact, from almost anywhere except the provision of degree-level *education* to British 18-22-year-olds.

Whether this is a "good thing" or not depends on the extent to which such diversification is held to be desirable. For all universities to diversify in this way – as the *Adam Smith Institute suggests* – could be as foolish as if none of them did.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN ASHWORTH,
University of Salford,
Salford, Greater Manchester.

'Courtiers at No 10'

From Mr Joe Haines

Sir, Five letters (so far) in *The Times* are more than are warranted by David Lipsey's life's work, but now that he admits (July 28)

1. That he and the Civil Servants at the Department of Environment resisted the sale of council houses and
2. That this was done because Mr Lipsey's minister, Tony Crosland, *thought the party (i.e., local* Labour councils) wouldn't stand for it,

would he now complete a trilogy of confession and agree that the Crosland/Lipsey/Civil Service opposition was an electoral disaster for the Labour Party?

And while he is about it, would he explain why, if he held Bernard Donoughue (July 18) in such contempt, he was so keen to join Donoughue's No 10 Policy Unit when his mentor died?

Yours sincerely,
JOE HAINES,
1 South Frith, London Road,
Southborough,
Tunbridge Wells, Kent.

Time for a new 'Beeching' cut?

From Councillor I. D. Coutts

Sir, Your recent report (July 16) *on British Rail's* annual report rightly mentioned the increased productivity and reduced public subsidy now being achieved. It should be noted, however, that British Rail's activities fall under four separate headings – freight, Inter-City routes, London and the South-east, and provincial routes. The last is a euphemism for minor branch lines.

British Rail very properly breaks its financial results down over these four headings and so we can see that the branch lines are costing the taxpayer half a billion pounds a year and are likely to go on doing so into the indefinite future.

Somewhere in Whitehall a decision appears to have been made to preserve the whole network and concentrate on improving efficiency. Whilst this makes good sense so far as the Inter-City *network is concerned it is the* negation of value for money on the branch lines. The latter serve few passengers and the subsidy per passenger is running at ridiculous proportions. There is the further fact that many of these lines require considerable sums spent on them in the near future. The argument that these branch lines feed the Inter-City routes is a very thin one. Most people travel by road to their nearest Inter-City station.

In my own county of Norfolk we have a branch line running 30 miles from Sheringham to Norwich with a small but ardent clientele. On the average subsidy of £1 per passenger mile a commuter on that line is receiving a *subsidy of £60 per day or £300 per* week or £15,000 per year. That is probably more than his gross earnings!

A better public transport service could be obtained by closing such lines and allowing the local authorities a little of the money saved to provide a better bus service. Unfortunately the local authorities in the rural areas are all *passionately opposed to branch-*line closures – an unthinking resistance to change of which the Bourbons would have been proud.

Perhaps the new Secretary of State for Transport (prodded by the new Chief Secretary to the Treasury) will be able to point out a more rational way forward.

Yours faithfully,
IAN COUTTS (Chairman,
Planning and Transport Committee, Norfolk County Council),
2 The Close,
Norwich, Norfolk.
July 27.

Community charge

From Mr C. Raeburn

Sir, One of the Government's arguments for the "poll tax" appears to be that by making more people pay directly towards local government expenditure there will be more pressure on local politicians for economy and efficiency. But their proposal for a flat rate for businesses, doubtles fixed centrally, will have the effect of making businesses even more uninterested in local politics than they have been.

This is a pity because local politics need more rather than less involvement of business and business-trained people and they should have a major incentive to take part.

Yours sincerely,
C. RAEBURN,
Lower House Farm,
Norton Linsey, Warwickshire.
July 24.

School meetings

From Mrs Susan F. Vincent

Sir, One provision of the 1986 Education Act requires boards of governors of State schools to convene annual meetings with parents. These meetings have been happening recently.

The Act defines their purpose, which is to discuss the governors' report and the function of the various bodies involved in the education of our children. Boards *of governors are also to receive* any resolutions passed by parents.

Having talked with parents in three counties it seems to me that they have not been made fully aware of the purpose of the meetings, their ability to pass resolutions and the need for a quorum in order to do this.

Yours faithfully,
SUSAN F. VINCENT,
Greenways, Park Drive,
Chilmark, Wiltshire.

Rising to the top

From Commander R. C. Whiteside, RN

Sir, The two submariners who made the record-breaking ascents *from HMS Otus (reports, July 22* and 23), Warrant Officer Norman Cooke and Petty Officer Hamish Jones, both carried special depth/time recorders. The data from these have now been analysed and correlated with readings from the submarine to show that, to the nearest foot, the record set was 601 feet (183 metres).

I must point out that this was not in fact a "bid to beat thesubmarine escape record", but an exercise to prove the escape *system from its maximum* designed depth, during which the record happened to get beaten.

Altogether 116 escapes were made, all of them successful and 20 of them from 500 feet.

Yours faithfully,
R. C. WHITESIDE,
Submarine Escape Training Tank,
HMS Dolphin,
Gosport, Hampshire.

Shepherd's dilemma

From Commander C. M. Jenne, RN (retd)

Sir, Further to Peter Tatton-Brown's letter (July 25), the *instructions on the sheep-dip* concentrate container include fairly precise directions concerning the weather. The shepherd is enjoined to avoid carrying out the operation during extremes of heat and cold, or when wet weather conditions exist or threaten before, during, or after immersion.

Now, notice of the intention to dip has to be given to the trading-standards department at least five days beforehand. It would defy the undoubted prognosticatory skills *of Bill Giles* and Ian McCaskill to guarantee a cloudy, rainless, temperate day in one's precise locality so long before the event.

Yours faithfully,
CHRISTOPHER JENNE,
Webberton Meadows,
Dunchideock,
Nr Exeter, Devon

ON THIS DAY

JULY 30 1830

Charles X (1757-1836) succeeded to the throne of France in 1824. His early popularity was lost when he began to show signs of restoring the absolutism of the old French monarchy. In July he abolished the freedom of the press and dissolved the Chamber, actions which forced his abdication on August 2, 1830

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PRIVATE CORRESPONDENCE.

PARIS, July 27

(EXTRACT OF A LETTER.)

Great uneasiness prevails throughout Paris. Last night a riot took place in the Rue de Rivoli; the people broke the windows of the Minister of Finances. This morning all the Constitutional papers were distributed to the public at the doors of the offices. The Commissaries of Police went round to all the *cafés* and reading-rooms to prevent the liberal papers from being given out to read. It is 11 o'clock (before *noon*), *and I have just been to the* Palais Royal – it is crowded with people – some standing on chairs and reading aloud the various Constitutional papers – all the shops in the Palais are shut. I saw a piece of paper on the ground, round which a number of people were assembled! it had these words written on it – *Vive la République: Vive Napoleon II.* These things are evidently done by the police agents . . .

I am going out, and if I can pick up other news, I shall write to you.

Two o'clock.– I have collected *several versions* relative to the meeting of the Deputies – first, I heard that a number of them had spontaneously met at M. Dupin's, and questioned each other what was to be done? "Oppose force to force," was the answer.

Others say that M. Dupin had declared, that in consequence of the ordinances of the 25th, he was no longer a deputy, and could not *allow his house to serve as a* club-room.

I have just been to the Rue Richelieu: about 12 or 15 *gendarmes à pied* are standing before the door of the *Temps*; the Commissaries of Police are seiz*ing the paper and type.* A considerable crowd are standing in the yard, and seem to be discussing about the seizure of the type. Now and then they utter loud cries. All the shops about that quarter are shut. Five gendarmes on horseback stop the entrance of the Rue St. Marc, where the office of the *National* is . . .

Three o'clock.– I open my letter to state that the Deputies are assembled, and are deliberating on the subject of the state of affairs, and on the measures to be taken.

(From Another Correspondent.)

*The precautions taken to en*sure secrecy were carried so far, that some of the Deputies recently elected received their letter of convocation to the Chambers on Monday morning with the very *Moniteur* which announced the dissolution of the Chambers. Paris was a good deal excited yesterday; but the agitation has materially increased to-day. At day-break the inhabitants of the good city of Paris were reminded, by the thunder of the artillery exercising at Vincennes, that some hundred pieces of cannon were ready to pour into Paris and sweep the streets. At five in the morning several battalions of the Guards were under arms in the Champs Elysées; as early as seven, groups began to form in the Palais Royal. The *National*, the *Temps*, the *Journal du Commerce*, which had appeared without the authorization required by the ordinances, were distributed gratis, and read with avidity by the multitudes assembled . . . The *Constitutionel* was *printed, but not published*: a sentry was placed at the door to prevent the publication.

(From Another Correspondent.)

On Tuesday a gendarme, having interfered with some workmen, who did not obey his orders to disperse, he gave one of them a blow on the back with the flat part of his sword, when they immediately fell on him and killed him . . .

COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
July 29: Mr J N T Spreckley (British High Commissioner to Malaysia) and Mrs Spreckley had the honour of being received by The Queen.

His Excellency Dr Erwin Blandon was received in audience by The Queen and presented his Letters of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Republic of Guatemala to the Court of St James's.

Sir Patrick Wright (Permanent Under Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs). who had the honour of being received by Her Majesty was present. and the Gentlemen of the Household in Waiting were in attendance.

Admiral Sir John Woodward had the honour of being received by The Queen upon his appointment as Flag Aide-de-Camp to Her Majesty.

His Excellency Dr Abdul Amir Al-Anbari and Madame Al-Anbari were received in farewell audience by The Queen and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Republic of Iraq to the Court of St James's.

Dr George Rylands had the honour of being received by The Queen when Her Majesty invested him with the Insignia of a Member of the Order of Companions of Honour.

The Queen, accompanied by The Duke of Edinburgh. this afternoon took the Salute at a performance of the Royal Tournament at Earls Court.

The Marchioness of Abergavenny. Air Vice-Marshal Richard Peirse and Lieutenant-Commander Timothy Laurence. RN were in attendance.

The Princess Royal. President. Royal Yachting Association. this evening attended the Association's Council Meeting and Dinner at the Royal Thames Yacht Club, 60 Knightsbridge.

Her Royal Highness was received upon arrival by the Chairman of the Association (Mr Francis Elkin).

Lieutenant-Colonel Peter Gibbs was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
July 29: The Prince of Wales. Duke of Cornwall. as President. Business in the Community. this afternoon attended a reception for Small Businesses in Cornwall, at County Hall, Truro.

His Royal Highness. attended by Mr David Landale. travelled in the Royal Train.

The Princess of Wales this morning presented a new Guidon to the 13th/18th Royal Hussars (Queen Mary's Own) at Tidworth Garrison. Hampshire.

Her Royal Highness. attended by Miss Anne Beckwith-Smith. Lieutenant-Colonel Sir John Miller and Commander Richard Aylard. RN. travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

KENSINGTON PALACE
July 29: Princess Alice. Duchess of Gloucester. Air Chief Commandant. Women's Royal Air Force. today visited Royal Air Force High Wycombe. Buckinghamshire.

Dame Jean Maxwell-Scott was in attendance.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE
RICHMOND PARK
July 29: Princess Alexandra this morning opened the Coronation Day Centre. Stranraer. Wigtown District.

In the afternoon. Her Royal Highness visited the Stranraer and Rhins of Galloway Agricultural Show.

Princess Alexandra. who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight. was attended by Lady Mary Mumford.

The Queen has appointed three new Ladies-in-Waiting.

They are Diana, Lady Farnham. the wife of a merchant banker: Susan, Lady Elton, who is married to former junior minister Lord Elton: and Mrs Phillipa de Pass.

Two long-serving Ladies-in-Waiting. the Marchioness of Abergavenny and Lady Abel Smith. whose appointements date from 1960 and 1949 respectively. will be moving to less demanding roles at their own request.

The memorial service for Sir Frank Cooper which was reported on July 17 was for Sir Francis (Frank) Cooper.

Royal Naval Engineering College

The following Officers were presented with their degrees by Admiral Sir John Woodward. Commander-in-Chief Naval Home Command. during a Degree Ceremony held at the Royal Naval Engineering College. Manadon. Plymouth on 24 July.

Master of Science in Marine Engineering
Distinction. Lieutenant Commander R E Wormald and Lieutenant S J Lloyd

Degree: Lieutenant Commanders T L Barboza BrazN. E O Ibitolu NqN and M Khan PN. Lieutenants J G C Haines CF, T J Haley, K A Howard, J M Newell, R A Sylvestre CF and R W Tooke.

Master of Science in Maritime Defence Technology
Distinction Lieutenant I G Rankin.

Degree: Lieutenant Commander R J Ibbotson. Lieutenants C M B Bullard. S G Walters and J F Wombwell.

Postgraduate Diploma in Maritime Defence Technology
Commanders G Thomsen FGN and B Waldorf RDN and Lieutenant Commanders N K Dahl RNorN. A H Skottrup RDN. V D Stradling and H N Watson.

Bachelor of Engineering with Honours

First Classification. Sub Lieutenants D R Allen. S C D Andrews. B E McCormick and M J Toy.

Upper Second Classification: Lieutenant Commander W Schild FGN. Sub Lieutenants A D Bonney. C J Cheesman. P P Gracey. D P S Green. S H Kingsbury. J P McCormick. P G Metcalfe. A J Pellow. A C N Pursey. N S Roberts. T J Roberts. M Sykes. M D Toft A Tugsaranupong ThaiN. M Walker. G J Wise. J W Withers and G J Woodford.

Lower Second Classification: Sub Lieutenants P R Casson. S R Darnell. J E Fairbrass. M A Fieldsend. S D Foster. I Harrop. P D Jordan. S T Morris. A Phenna. S Prescott. G K Preston. J A E Turner. T J Williamson and C J Wilson.

Third Classification Sub Lieutenants N P Bennett. G R P Bermingham. C B Berryman. I L Buckle. P D Craig. J Cunningham. K S Enright. T W Geary. A D Harry. P J Hill. I J A Kennedy. S Mahmood PN. M A McDonald. J J Merrill. G O Mpamugo NqN. A R Munns. J A M Rae. J B Scott. R G Shepherd and P G C Watson.

Bachelor of Engineering
Sub Lieutenants H L Burwin and J J Short.

Birthdays today

Miss Teresa Cahill, opera singer. 43: Sir Edmund Compton, civil servant. 81: Mr Meredith Davies. conductor. 65: Miss Frances de la Tour. actress. 43: Mr Justice Ewbank. 62: Mr D.H. Fraser. artist. 58: the Earl of Glasgow. 48: Miss Harriet Harman. MP. 37: Lord Killanin. 73: Miss Wyn Knowles. former editor. BBC Woman's Hour. 64: Lord McCarthy, 62: Professor L.W. Martin. vice-chancellor. University of Newcastle upon Tyne. 59: Professor Anthony Mellows. Head of the Department of Laws. King's College, 51: Professor C. Northcote Parkinson. historian. 78: Mr Peter Plouviez, general secretary. British Actors' Equity Association. 56: Sir Richard Powell. civil servant. 78: Mrs Anne Ridler. author. 75: Lord Justice Russell. 61: Mr Kerry St Johnston. chairman. Overseas Containers. 56: Sir Clive Sinclair. chairman, Sinclair Research. 47: Mr Stan Stennett. actor. 60: Mr Daley Thompson. athlete. 29: Dame Marjorie Williamson. former principal. Royal Holloway College. 74.

Luncheon

Carlton Club
Lord Plummer of St Marylebone. President of the Political Committee of the Carlton Club. presided at a luncheon held yesterday at the club. Mr Nicholas Scott. MP. was the guest of honour and Mr John Briggs also spoke.

St Edward's School, Oxford

The Governors of St Edward's School. Oxford. have appointed Mr David Christie, at present Head of Economics at Winchester College, to the post of Warden from September 1988. He succeeds Mr J.C. Phillips. who retires in August 1988.

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Science report

Confounding the theories

By Robert Matthews

The newly-discovered ceramic superconductors are causing as much perplexity as excitement among physicists trying to understand the behaviour of these revolutionary materials.

Superconductivity is the ability of some metals, alloys, and now ceramics, to lose all their electrical resistance when cooled below a certain critical temperature.

The phenomenon was first observed by the Dutch physicist Heike Kamerlingh Onnes in 1911 in mercury chilled to a few degrees above the absolute zero of temperature (minus 273 degrees centigrade).

But not until 1957 did a theory capable of explaining superconductivity in such metals emerge. This is the so-called BCS theory developed by the American physicists John Bardeen, Leon Cooper and John Schrieffer, who won a Nobel Prize for their work in 1972.

When an electric current is fed into, say, a metal, the electrons which constitute the current collide with one another, losing kinetic energy which then emerges from the metal as heat. The collisions therefore constitute the electrical resistance of the metal.

However, in passing through the crystal lattice of the metal, a (negatively charged) electron will pull the positively-charged ions making up the lattice towards itself.

A second electron passing through the lattice feels the effect of this distortion, and gets caught up in the "wake", joining the first to form a so-called Cooper pair, about a millionth of a metre in size.

Such pairs, which only survive intact at low temperatures, can pass unhindered through the material, which has thus effectively lost all its electrical resistance. The material has become a *superconductor.*

But theoretical physicists are having problems extending the BCS theory to include the new ceramic materials, which are combinations of rare earths like lanthanum and yttrium and copper oxide, and which become superconducting well above absolute zero (the current record is about 100 degrees centigrade above).

The experimentalists are trying hard to help, but the more they discover, the more confusing things become.

Scientists have looked for evidence that the lattice vibrations used to explain conventional superconductivity are at work in the ceramics.

The key test is the so-called isotope effect, in which the charged ions of the chemical making up the lattice are replaced by an isotope of the same chemical.

As the isotope differs from the original ion only in the number of (uncharged) neutrons in its nucleus, everything remains the same in the changeover, except the mass of the lattice.

Being heavier, the lattice responds more sluggishly to the passage of an electron. Calculation shows that, if lattice vibrations are at work in the ceramics, the temperature at which superconductivity sets in should drop closer to absolute zero as the mass of the ions is increased.

But the new compounds are confounding theory. There does not appear to be any isotope effect in the yttrium-based superconductors, while there are reports that the lanthanum compounds have an effect which depends on the mass of the isotope used in a way at odds with expectations.

The upshot is that theorists think that the lattice may not be responsible for the formation of the usual electron pairs. And even the existence of these pairs within the materials is now being challenged.

A team at the University of Birmingham recently showed that the basic unit of charge flowing within the superconducting ceramic has a value twice the charge on the electron; just what would be expected if pairs of electrons had been formed within the material.

Unfortunately, theorists have shown that the data is not conclusive at all, and that it is possible to get the result if only single electrons are involved in the phenomenon.

According to Dr Michael Gunn, a theorist at the Rutherford Appleton laboratory near Oxford, who is developing new ways of understanding the new materials, "The waters are getting more muddy with time, rather than less so".

The Princess of Wales, on her sixth wedding anniversary yesterday, inspected the 13th/18th Royal Hussars (Queen Mary's Own) to which she presented a new Guidon at Tidworth, Hampshire. The Guidon is the Light Cavalry equivalent of the Infantry Colour; a new one is presented, traditionally by the Sovereign or her representative, to the regiment every 25 years (Photograph: Harry Page)

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Giorgio Vasari, artist and writer, Arezzo, Italy, 1511; Samuel Rogers, poet, Stoke Newington, Middlesex, 1763; Emily Brontë, Thornton, Yorks, 1818; Richard Burdon Haldane, Viscount Haldane, founder of the Territorial Army, Edinburgh, 1856; Henry Ford, Michigan, 1863.

DEATHS: William Penn, founder of Pennsylvania, Ruscombe, Berkshire, 1718; Thomas Gray, London, 1771; Denis Diderot, encyclopaedist, Paris, 1784; Walter Pater, critic, Oxford, 1894; Otto von Bismarck, German Chancellor 1871-90, Friedrichsruh, 1898.

Today's royal engagements

The Queen, accompanied by the Duke of Edinburgh, will arrive at Island Gardens Park, Isle of Dogs, at 3.10; and will open the Docklands Light Railway at 3.20.

The Prince and Princess of Wales, Duke and Duchess of Cornwall, will attend the golden jubilee celebrations of the Cornwall Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs, at Trewithen, Cornwall, at 12.55; and attend a pageant to mark the 650th anniversary of the Duchy of Cornwall at 2.10.

Appointments

Mr John **Spalding**, Chief Executive of the Halifax Building Society, to be Chairman of the National House-Building Council, in succession to Mr Andrew Tait who is retiring.

Miss Florence **Begley**, to be Warden of Parcevall Hall, the Bradford diocese retreat house and conference centre.

Polytechnic news

Middlesex
Professor Keith Wright has been appointed head of the school of mechanical and production engineering in the faculty of engineering, science and mathematics.

North East London
The following will be awarded titular Polytechnic Professorships from September 1:

Dr L Allen, Dr S J Ball, Mr T Burgess, Dr P F Dale, Dr G M Davies, Dr D I Edwards, Dr B E L Long, Mr K Parker, Mr J Pratt, Mr M Rustin.

Leathersellers' Company

The following have been elected officers of the Leathersellers' Company for the ensuing year: Master, Mr R.G. Scriven; Second Warden, Mr V.C.M. Lister; Third Warden, Mr T.F. Phillips; Fourth Warden, Mr L.C. Hardy.

Drapers' Company

The following have been elected officers of the Drapers' Company for the ensuing year: Master, Mr M.R. Harris; Wardens, Mr F.M.W.R. Neville, Mr R.H. Borradaile, Mr P.J.D.H. Cox and Mr F.H.M. Craig-Cooper.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr P.A. Flory
and Miss B.J. Millar
The engagement is announced between Peter, younger son of Mr and Mrs G.J. Flory, of Saltdean, Sussex, and Beatrix Jane, youngest daughter of Sir Oliver and Lady Millar, of Penn, Buckinghamshire.

Mr M.J. Davis
and Miss A.Z.S. James
The engagement is announced between Michael, son of Mr and Mrs Roger O. Davis, of Walmer, Kent, and Auriole, daughter of Dr D. Geraint James and Mrs James (Dame Sheila Sherlock), of Regents Park, London.

Riccardo dei Conti Pavoncelli
and Miss E.F. Sergeant
The engagement is announced between Riccardo, younger son of Count and Countess Giuseppe Pavoncelli, of Naples, and Emma, younger daughter of Sir Patrick and Lady Sergeant, of Highgate Village, London.

Mr M.C. Dickson
and Miss R.J. Silman
The engagement is announced between Michael Charles, younger son of Mr and Mrs John C. Dickson, of Fulwood, Preston, Lancashire, and Rachel Jane, second daughter of Mr Julius Silman, of Corsham, Wiltshire, and Mrs Robert T. Bushell, of Wimbledon.

Mr M.B. Shelbourne
and Miss H. Bradford
The engagement is announced between Miles, eldest son of Mr and Mrs M.Q. Shelbourne, of Cambridge, and Helen, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs R.N. Bradford, of Beccles, Suffolk

Mr F.P. Graham-Watson
and Miss C.I. Rimington Wilson
The engagement is announced between Frederick, only son of Mr and Mrs James Graham-Watson, of Sussex and Sutherland, and Catherine, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Reginald Rimington Wilson, of Sussex and Yorkshire, West Riding.

Mr J.W. Maundrell
and Miss H. Monck
The engagement is announced between John, son of Canon W.D. Maundrell and the late Mrs Maundrell, of Rye, Sussex, and Hazel, daughter of Mr and Mrs F.W. Monck, of Great Baddow, Essex.

Mr J.D. Higgins
and Miss R.J.C. Boot
The engagement is announced between John, youngest son of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs R.G. Higgins, of Kings Sutton, near Banbury, Oxfordshire, and Rosemary, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs F.J.D. Boot, of Woodthorpe, Nottingham.

Mr M.H. Godfrey
and Miss S.E.M. Green
The engagement is announced between Marc, elder son of Major and Mrs F.A. Godfrey, of Strumpshaw, Norfolk, and Sarah, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs G.R. Green, of Wells, Somerset.

Marriages

The Hon D.T.H. Astley
and Miss V. Smart

The marriage took place on Sunday, July 26, at the Church of Our Lady, Delaval, of the Hon Delaval Astley, elder son of Lord and Lady Hastings, and Miss Veronica Smart, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Smart. The Rev Malcolm Fenwick officiated.

The bride was given in marriage by her father and Mr Nicholas Pritchard was best man.

A reception was held at Seaton Delaval Hall and the honeymoon will be spent abroad

Mr A. Mahtani
and Miss S. Sani
The marriage of Mr Ashok Mahtani, son of Mr and Mrs Prem Tarachand Mahtani, of London, to Miss Subita Sani, daughter of Mr and Mrs Lal C. Sani, of Kings Point, New York, took place in the Great Room of Grosvenor House, on Monday, July 27, 1987.

Mr A.N. Schwartz
and Miss G.A.C. Wingfield
The marriage took place in Sydney on July 26, of Mr Alan Schwartz, Dip Arch (Hons), ARIAA, son of Mr and Mrs S. Schwartz, of Johannesburg, to Miss Georgina Wingfield, SRN, SCM, daughter of Mr and Mrs H.V. Wingfield, of Feock, Cornwall

OBITUARY

PROFESSOR P. E. VERNON

Intelligence and personality

Professor P. E. Vernon, who died at Calgary on July 28, at the age of 82, was one of the leading members of the London school of psychological thought, following in the footsteps of such psychologists as Charles Spearman and Cyril Burt, and the Victorian parents of this school, Sir Francis Galton and Karl Pearson, who laid its statistical foundations.

Statistical analysis of mental test data, largely through correlations and factor analysis, was the method distinguishing this school, which carried out much pioneering work in the fields of intelligence and personality.

Vernon was probably the most critical member of the school, and the least partisan; his integrity, honesty and impartiality were universally recognized. He did much to make the methods and results of his colleagues acceptable to a wider public.

Philip Ewart Vernon was born on June 6, 1905. He attended Oundle School, and then obtained his MA Degree at St John's College, Cambridge, obtaining First Class Honours in the National Science Tripos, Part I, and Moral Science Tripos, Part II, in 1926-7.

His brilliant academic work was recognized by various scholarships — including, as a special tribute to his love of music, a Scholarship in Sacred Music.

The Laura Spelman Rockefeller Fellowship enabled him to spend two years at Harvard, working with Gordon Allport on the theme of his first (joint) book, *Studies in Expressive Movement* (1933), the originality and rigour of which made him known internationally at an early age.

A Fellowship at St John's College was followed by work as psychologist to the London County Council at the Maudsley Hospital Child Guidance Clinic, and as head of the psychology department of the Jordanhill Training Centre (for teachers) in Glasgow.

From 1938 until 1947 he was the head of the psychology department at Glasgow University, becoming Professor of Educational Psychology at the Institute of Education in London in 1949, and Professor of Psychology there in 1964.

During the war, from 1942 until 1945, Vernon was Psychological Adviser to the Admiralty and the War Office, carrying his slide-rule about with him wherever he went, and attempting to educate the Military to value the experimental and statistical approach to problems of selection, recruitment and disposal.

He succeeded in winning over even the sceptics by his unfailing good humour, honesty, and deep knowledge.

The book with his colleague of the Air Force Psychology Group, J. B. Parry, *Personnel Selection in the British Forces* (1949), gave a clear insight into both problems and attempted solutions, and demonstrated the importance of psychological testing in war time.

In 1968 Vernon left England for Canada to become professor of educational psychology at Calgary. He retired in 1978.

His departure from Britain was motivated largely by health considerations, but he was also somewhat disenchanted with the emphasis in British education on quantity rather than quality, his large teaching load, and the lack of opportunities for research.

Among his many honours were the presidencies of the Psychology Section of the British Association for the Advancement of Science in 1952, and of the British Psychological Society (1954-5).

His numerous publications deal partly with the evaluation of published material, in which he was unrivalled for accuracy, fairness and modesty, and partly with his own research, dealing largely in intelligence and achievement.

His latest work dealt with these topics as manifested by Orientals in North America, and with the abilities of Eskimos. Here, too, his rigour, fairness and refusal to go beyond the data are apparent.

Vernon's first marriage, to Annie Gray, in 1938, ended with her death. His second marriage, to Dorothy Lawson, in 1947, produced one son, confusingly named Philip like his father, and one joint book on gifted children. Dorothy, too, was professionally trained as a psychologist, and complemented him in many ways — her extraversion contrasting vividly with his legendary introversion.

Vernon was one of the best known and best liked of British psychologists. Always critical but always fair, he seemed the embodiment of the ideal scientist; and although he often wrote about politically sensitive subjects like selection for secondary education, racial differences and the nature-nurture debate, he was transparently honest in his attempts to let the facts speak for themselves, and not impose any ideological constraints on them.

He was a good psychologist, and, what is more, he was a good man.

MR HUGH WHEELER

Mr Hugh Wheeler, who died on July 26, at the age of 75, was a master of the well-made detective mystery story, as well as a talented writer of plays and film scripts.

He wrote books under the pseudonyms of "Q Patrick", "Patrick Quentin" and "Jonathan Stagge". He won the Edgar Allan Poe Mystery Writing Award in 1961 and in 1973. British by birth, he became an American citizen in 1942.

Hugh Callingham Wheeler was born on March 19, 1912, at Northwood, Middlesex, the son of Harold Wheeler, a civil servant in the Office of the Public Trustee, and of Florence (neé Scammell), daughter of the truck manufacturer. He had what he later described as "a completely standardized middle-class upbringing".

He began writing fiction and drama in adolescence. A chance meeting with Richard Wilson Webb, in 1933, changed the course of his life.

Webb, an American but also British-born, was a businessman and part-time mystery writer who was looking for a replacement collaborator for Patsy Kelley, with whom he had written four quite successful mystery novels under the pseudonym "Q Patrick".

Webb, who ran a pharmaceutical firm in Philadelphia, much liked the youthful Wheeler and brought him over. There followed 15 years of collaboration under the name Q Patrick and then Patrick Quentin and Jonathan Stagge.

Webb's contribution to the books gradually dropped off, owing to his bad health, until Wheeler was doing all the work and eventually took over altogether.

Wheeler said that at the beginning of this career as a crime writer his own tastes were "nearer to Proust than to S. S. Van Dine" (whose Philo Vance novels were an important influence). But with Webb fading into the background he was determined to try under the name Patrick Quentin to write "at least one satisfactory novel in this medium".

He thus succeeded in producing enjoyable, intelligent and often comic books such as [as Stagge] *The Yellow Taxi* (1947) and [as Quentin] *Suspicious Circumstances* (1957). These and many others received wide praise from *aficionados* of the form.

In the 1960s Wheeler tired of fiction and turned to light drama. To his own surprise he met with some success, first with *Big Fish, Little Fish* (1961) — which was seen on Broadway (where it was directed by Sir John Gielgud) and then in London at the Duke of York's — and, later, with *Look, We've Come Through* (1963), a sentimental but clever play about a suspected homosexual who manages to achieve a lasting relationship with an intellectual girl.

Wheeler lived abroad — in Italy, France, Africa, Brazil, Mexico and the West Indies — but settled finally in Monterey, California.

He wrote one novel under his own name, *The Crippled Muse* (1951), which began as a Jamesean exercise but ended up too much like a detective story.

He wrote the script for Shirley Jackson's *We Have Always Lived in the Castle*, and several screen plays, among them *Five Miles to Midnight* (1962), with Peter Viertel, and *Travels with My Aunt* (1972), with Jay Presson-Allen. He also worked on *Cabaret* (1972) with Allen, but does not appear on the credits.

Wheeler never failed to achieve intensity in his stories. All that he did was conscientious and of the very highest professional calibre.

He did not marry.

DR GRANT PETERKIN

Dr Grant Peterkin, MBE, a dermatologist who made many original clinical observations, died in Edinburgh on July 26. He was 80.

George Alexander Grant Peterkin was born on September 29, 1906, and educated at Forfar Academy, Merchiston Castle School and at Edinburgh University.

In 1933 he was appointed assistant physician in the skin department at The Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh, and later consultant dermatologist to Leith, Deaconess and Bangour hospitals.

He joined the RAMC in 1942 when military dermatology became divorced from venereology. After starting a 200-bed skin hospital at Penshurst, Kent, he was posted, in 1943, to Algeria with the 1st Army.

During 1944-5 Peterkin was in charge of over 1,000 hospital beds in Naples for patients with skin diseases.

For this work he was appointed MBE and awarded the American Medal of Freedom with Bronze Palm.

In 1954 he became physician in administrative charge at the Skin Department, at Edinburgh Royal Infirmary, retiring in 1971.

Peterkin, a true Scot, was a big man in physique and in character. He displayed an infectious enthusiasm for both work and relaxation. He seldom missed a clinic, where he made even commonplace conditions seem interesting.

His amazing memory and his eagerness to follow up new lines of therapy and to diagnose unusual syndromes were of inestimable value.

He did not consider himself a research worker but, in spite of a very busy life with his patients, he found time to write many papers describing his clinical observations.

In 1937 he was the first to report infection of human skin with the orf virus, transmitted from sheep and goats, and during the Second World War he recorded his experiences of huge numbers of patients with conditions as diverse as impetigo, shaki dermatitis and skin eruptions due to sulphonamides and mepacrine.

In 1949 he co-edited *Common Diseases of the Skin* with R. Cranston Low.

In his youth he enjoyed rugby and hill climbing but, as he grew older, his main sport was golf. He liked nothing better than battling it out with his friends at Muirfield. He was an Elder of the Kirk. Peterkin was also an avid reader and an enthusiastic antiquarian. He even wrote a book on Scottish Dovecotes.

His first wife, Alison (Sally), died in 1974. He is survived by his second wife, Sheena, two daughters and a son.

LORD TREND

Lord Hunt of Tanworth and Sir Robert Armstrong write:

Your notice of Burke Trend (July 22) very fairly describes his career of achievement in the public service. There are one or two things we should like to add.

You did not recall his commitment to, and personal involvement in, Britain's relationship with the United States and with the Commonwealth.

At a time when successive Governments were working towards membership of the European Community, he was determined to do all he could to ensure that the development of closer relations with our European partners was not at the expense of keeping in the best possible repair the close political, military and economic links with the United States, forged during and after the Second World War, which he saw not just as essential for Britain but as a foundation for world peace and stability.

He believed no less in the value of the relationship with the Commonwealth, and the responsibility of Britain for sustaining it. It was as an expression of that conviction that he accepted the presidency of the Royal Commonwealth Society in 1982.

Then you referred to his "unofficial role as shop steward for the secret services". His role was not unofficial: he was, even before he became Cabinet Secretary, the Accounting Officer for the Secret Vote.

And it would, perhaps, be fairer to describe his role as a two-way one. Certainly, he respected and valued the way in which the secret services carried out their duties, and was concerned that their members should not suffer, in terms of such matters as remuneration, from the fact that their work had to be done in secret.

But he also envisaged that the counterpart of their secrecy was a risk of isolation, and saw it as part of his responsibility not only to secure value for money but to interpret to them the significance for what they did of the wider political and social climate of the day.

Lord Greenhill of Harrow writes:

If I could add further to your obituary of Lord Trend I would say that he saw clearly the necessity for good relations between No. 10 and the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, and contributed decisively to them between 1964 and 1973.

He was also held in very high respect by Dr Kissinger and thus was, on more than one occasion, of great value to us.

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

So likewise ye, except ye utter by the tongue words easy to be understood, how shall it be known what is spoken? for ye shall speak into the air.
1 Corinthians 14 . 9

BIRTHS

ACWORTH - On July 22nd in Viborg, Denmark, to Didee (née Ling) and John, a daughter Georgina Alice, sister for Charlotte, Rosemary and Adam

APPLEGARTH - On July 28th 1987, at Frimley, Surrey, to Debbie and Chris, a daughter, Lauren Esmee.

BAILLIE - On July 28th to Sarah (née Willway) and Hubert, a daughter

BEST - On July 26th, 1987, to Sophie (nee des Clers) and Tim, a son, Jonathan.

CLARK - On July 27th 1987, at the Portland Hospital to Nicola (nee Kirkwood-Brown) and Duncan, a daughter, Ailsa.

DAVOLLS - On July 28th 1987 at Epsom District Hospital to Susan (née Howgill) and Graham, a son, James Edward Roger.

FARMAR - On July 25th 1987, to Marilyn and Mark, a daughter, Emma, a sister for Helen, Michael and Richard.

FLINT - On July 25th 1987, to Fiona (née Steele-Bodger) and Michael, a son, Alasdair Stamford.

GANGADIA - On July 24th 1987, at Queen Charlotte's to Bindu and Nilesh, a son, a brother for Sonal.

GARNETT - On July 29th to Susannah (née Ross) and William, a son, Tobias *Benjamin Maxwell.*

HILL - On July 28th, to Valerie and Peter, a son, David Alastair, a brother for Alex, Gemma and Gareth.

JARVIS - On July 15th, at Farnborough Hospital, to Susan and Alan, a daughter, Laura Emma Elizabeth, a sister for Andrew.

KIRKWOOD - On Wednesday July 22nd 1987, to Nicole (née de Fresnes) and Tim, a daughter, Jemina Jane, a sister for Harriet Mary and Matilda Alice.

MATTHEWS - On July 28th at St Thomas Hospital to Penelope (nee Grove-White) and Brian, twin daughters Emily and Charlotte.

MORTON - On July 27th, at Winchester Hospital, to Louise (née Leatham) and Alexander, a daughter, Sophie Alexandra, a sister for Peter.

NEWBIGIN - On July 28th, to Deborah (née Golden) and Michael, a son, Matthew Ian, a brother for Joseph.

NEWTON - On July 27th, at St Georges, Tooting, SW17, to Anna (née Carr-Gomm) and Piers, a son.

PANTER - to Delia (née Pitt) and Ross, *a girl, Clare Elizabeth.*

ROSSDALE - On July 22nd 1987, to Lindsay and Michael, a daughter, Jennifer Jane, a sister to Tom.

TAYLOR - On 27th July, to Miranda (nee Brook) and Martin, a son, George Henry Brook, a brother for Hugo.

DEATHS

ALLAN - On Tuesday 28th July peacefully at home, Margaret (née Kelly), much loved wife of Alastair and loving mother of Alison, Wilma, Lindsey and Susan. Funeral service *at St Andrews Church, Ryton, on* Tuesday August 4th at 12.45pm, followed by private Cremation. No flowers please by request, but donations to Compton Hall Hospice, Wolverhampton. Enquires to John *Williams Funeral Directors, Shifnal,* Shropshire. Tel: Telford 460669.

ANSON - On July 24th 1987, at Queen Mary's Hospital SW15, Dr Brook Anson (née Fiona Brook Wills), dearly loved wife of John, and mother of Martin and Annabel. Funeral service at Putney Vale Cemetery, Roehampton Vale, SW15 on Friday August 7th at 2.15pm. Flowers to Mathias, 213 Upper Richmond Road, SW15.

BOOTH - On 28th July at Shelford Lodge, Cambridge, Henrietta Mary (née Addis). Beloved mother of Anthony, Martin, Rachel, Philip and Edmund. Sadly missed by all the *family.* Funeral on *Wednesday* 5th August, 2.30pm at St James', Birdham, West Sussex. Family flowers only, donations if desired to Multiple Sclerosis Society, 25 Effie Road, London, SW6.

CLARKE - On July 25th at home, in Charlbury, Oxford, Gladys Mary widow of Robert Campbell Clarke and beloved mother of Shelagh and Bryan. Funeral St. Marys Church Charlbury at 12.00 noon July 31st, flowers to, Fisher & Townsend, 7 Ducklington Lane Witney or donations to R.N.L.I.

DIACK - On July 17th 1987, peacefully after a long illness, at Mirama *Private Nursing Home; Adelaide.* Mary. In loving memory Philip, James and Lesley.

FORBES - On July 27th, peacefully, in hospital, Arthur, aged 82 years, dearly loved husband of Joan and dear father of Rolleen and Peter. Funeral Service at St Andrew's Church, Sevenhampton, on Saturday August 1st at 2.30pm. Funeral Directors: Trenhaile, 174 Bath Road, Cheltenham.

GETHIN-JONES - On July 27th peacefully after a short illness, Lt. Col. David Gethin-Jones, Royal Welch Fusiliers (Retired) of The Rectory, Llanhamlach, Nr. Brecon. Loving *husband of Anne and father of Tubs,* Davina and Sally. Funeral Service at Llanhamlach Church on Friday July 31st at 2.30pm, followed by private interment. Family flowers only donations if desired to Llanhamlach Church, c/o National *Westminster* Bank, Brecon, Powys.

GIBBON - On *July 28th,* Michael James Gibbon, of Abberton, in his 76th year.

HAAS - On July 29th in London, Henry Haas, until recently Managing *Director of* M A M Rubber Manufacturing Company Ltd. Funeral on 4th August at Mortlake crematorium at 1.30pm. Enquires to Neil Morris, Jaques and Lewis, 2 South square Grays inn, London WC1. Tel 01 242 9755.

HOPE - On 27th July, peacefully at home, Sir Archibald Hope O B E., D.F.C., 17th Bt. of Craighall. Much loved father to John and Charles and *devoted husband to the late Ruth,* Lady Hope. Funeral service at All Saints Church, Somerford Keynes, on Tuesday 4th August at 12 noon. Family flowers only. Donations to St Peter's Appeal, 29 Argyle Crescent, Edinburgh.

INGRAM - On Sunday June 26th, Henry Felide, suddenly but peacefully at his home, in Verwood, Dorset. Cremation at Poole Crematoium on Tuesday 4th August, at midday. Flowers to A E Jolliffe, Victoria Road, Ferndown, Dorset.

McCUMHAILLE - On July 27th peacefully at home, Fionne. Service Friday July 31st. Flowers to May flower Florist, Bawtry, South Yorkshire or donations to Ada Cole Memorial Hospital, Cairo.

MILLAR - On July 27th 1987 Irene Millar of Colchester, widow of Major L.W. 'Mike' Millar. Cremation private, no flowers or letters by her request.

NELTHORPE LANE - On July 21st at *Farnborough Hospital,* Kent Ada (Tiny) aged 80 years. Elder daughter of the *late Robertson* William Lane and Margaret Nelthorpe Lane. Beloved sister of Marie Trevett (Dida). Educated at Mayfield School, Sussex and graduate *of* the University of Oxford 1926-29. Requiem Mass at Holy Innocents Roman Catholic Church, Orpington on Monday, August 3rd at 10 00am.

REPTON - On July 25th, Marie (Dushka) widow of Guy and darling aunt of Tamara Stokes, peacefully at home. Funeral Golders Green Crematorium, Bedford Chapel, 3.10pm today, details from Kenyon, 01 834 4624.

RUDD - On July 29th, Dr. Peter Frederick Rudd, peacefully after much suffering borne with great patience and acceptance, a loving and *loved husband, father, grandfather* and family doctor. Funeral service at St. Lawrence Church, Winslow on Tuesday 4th August at 11.00am. Followed by *private* cremation. No flowers please but if desired *donations to Christian Aid C/O The* Treasurer, T. Capstick, 27 Offas Lane, Winslow, Buckingham MK18.

RUEL - On July 28th, peacefully, after a short illness, at Westminster hospital. Richard Court. Cremation Monday 3rd August 3.30pm. at Putney Vale. No flowers, donations to Cancer Research c/o Mr & Mrs P.A.S Buchan. Tel: 01 789 9983.

SARSON - On July 27th 1987, in her 93rd year, Agnes Emily, widow of Arthur and beloved mother of Dorothy.

SELF - On July 27th 1987 peacefully *in Brighton Rosalind Audrey Lady* Self, in her 95th year, wife of the late Sir Henry Self, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., K.B.E. Loved by all the family. Service on Monday, August 3rd at St. Johns Church, Preston, Brighton *at 2.30pm followed by interment in* Brighton and Preston Cemetery. If so desired summer flowers may be sent to Hanningtons Funeral Directors, *4/6 Montefiore Road, Hove, Sussex.* Telephone 0273 778733.

TIMSON - On July 28th 1987 after a long illness bravely borne at his home Northampton Road, Kettering, Ernest Arthur Timson O.B.E., aged 85 years. The beloved husband of the late Gwenllian. Father of Jane and grandfather of David, Andrew and Christopher. Funeral service at Fuller Baptist Church, Kettering on Friday July 31st at 2.00pm, followed *by private cremation.* Family flowers only please, but if desired donations for British Diabetic Association, C/O Jack Warwick Funeral Director, Wallis Road, Kettering Nothants.

WATNEY - On July 28th, peacefully in *the Kent and Sussex Hospital,* Pearl Emily, youngest daughter of the late Charles Tillotson Watney. No flowers and no letters by request. Cremation on Thursday, August 6th at 11.00am, at the Tunbridge Wells Crematorium.

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Miss Marjory Geraldine **Barney**, of Clare Park, near Farnham, Surrey, *left estate* valued at £552,977 net.

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Dated this 21st day of July 1987
PHILIP MONJACK
Leonard Curtis & Co
Chartered Accountants
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London W2 6LF

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A SPECIAL REPORT
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A richer life from the sea

The islands have become a place of new wealth and opportunity, triggered by the boom in fishing

After 154 years in the economic doldrums, the Falkland Islands are experiencing a remarkable change in their prospects, buoyed by a tide of new wealth from the fishing industry.

Even a year ago it would have seemed absurd to paint the Falklands as a land of opportunity. No one was prepared for the boom triggered by Britain's decision last October to declare a 150-mile fishing limit around the islands.

Confidence has been further boosted by Mrs Thatcher's election victory and the Government's renewed pledge not to negotiate the islands' sovereignty. For the first time in half a century the population is rising.

Now the military aircraft arriving at Mount Pleasant airport carry business executives, surveyors and accountants eager to participate in the new opportunities.

With money pouring in from fishing licences and from joint-venture participation fees, resources have become available for a host of projects.

Plans are afoot to persuade the fishing fleets, coming from nine nations, to operate from Stanley, to dredge its harbour for their deep-draught vessels, to provide the facilities of a modern port, and to create a home fishing industry to compete with them.

A senior official has been shopping recently for seven lighthouses, an aircraft hangar and a small fleet of trawlers.

That is only the half of it. At the same time – and with great urgency – the main hotel is to be modernized, housebuilding is to be accelerated, a new school constructed, the education system reviewed and the tax structure changed to cater for a far more prosperous economy.

Extensive preparations made last year to revamp the war-damaged tourist industry should at least double the number of visitors in 1987.

There is a new sense of dynamism on the land due to a programme, run by the government and the Falkland Islands Development Corporation, of buying out absent landlords and dividing the farms into smaller units. Efforts to link far-flung communities by building all-weather tracks are under way.

By October locally produced vegetables, hitherto to be had only from back-garden part-timers, will be on sale in Stanley, due to a hydroponics farm which is about to put its first products on the market. It should transform the mutton-dominated diet.

FALKLAND FILE

- **Governor: Gordon Jewkes**
- **Land area: 4,700 square miles.**
- **Population (November 1986): 1,919, of which 1,239 live in Stanley.**
- **Government revenue: 1985/6: £6.003 million. 1986/7 (est): £21.142 million. (year runs July to June).**

Stanley's first up-market restaurant, Monty's, has achieved a turnover 40 per cent higher than predicted only *three months after it opened.*

The first boutique, opened in February, has £20,000 worth of clothes in transit from Britain at any one time. There are probably more videos in relation to population than in Britain, and almost certainly more Land Rovers a head than anywhere in the world.

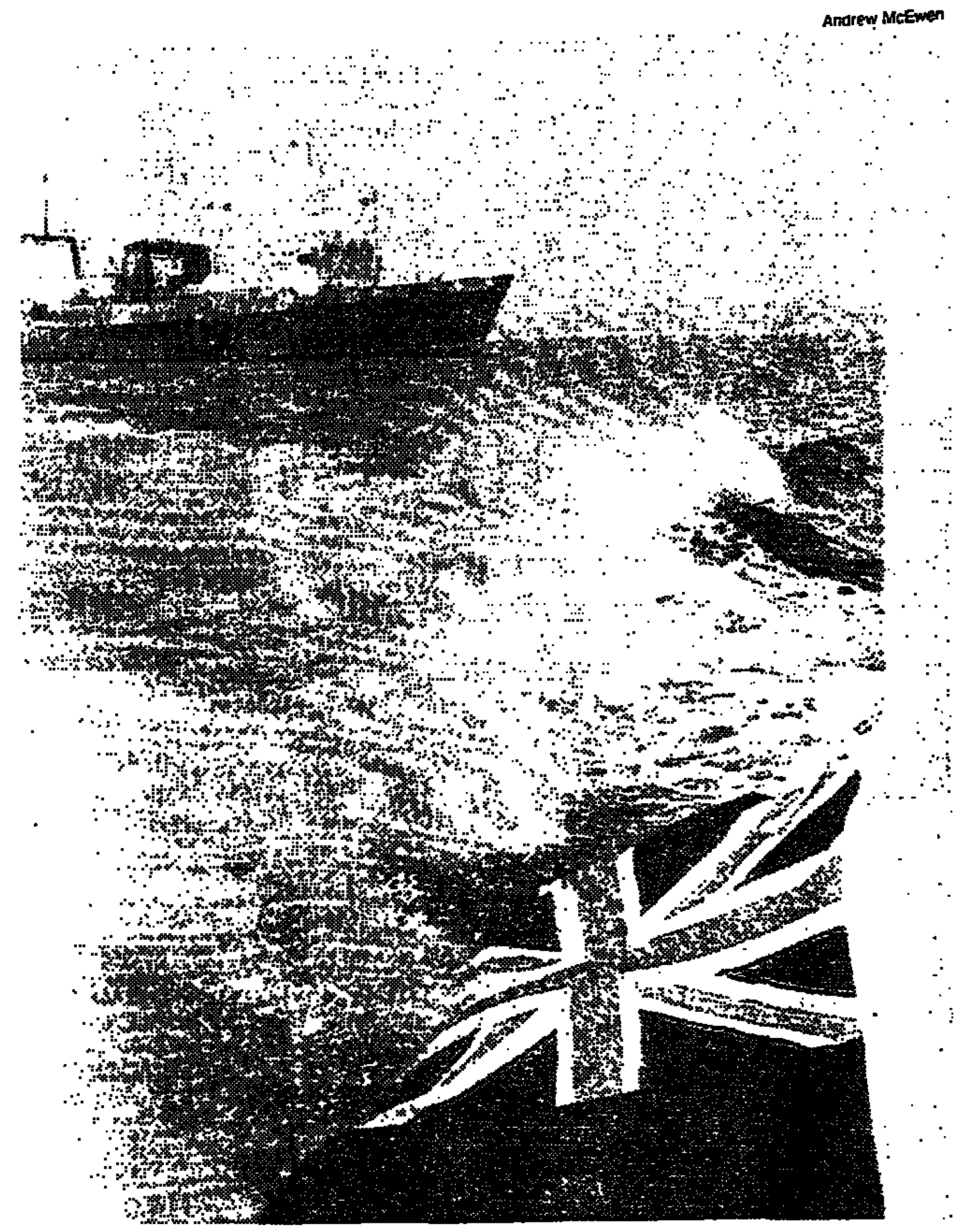
The sense of renewal and rapid development startles the newcomer, conditioned by every writer since Dr Johnson, who called the islands "the undiluted lords of tempest-beaten barrenness".

The fact that the 1982 war was fought during the southern winter reinforced an only half-deserved image of bleak isolation. The Falklands is no further south than London is north, and its winter is no colder. But even now a winter visitor could be tempted to view the place as an encrustation of humanity clinging to a vastness of nature.

A land the size of Northern Ireland remains largely the preserve of sheep and wild geese, with wonderfully expressive rock-hopper penguins and elephant seals on its *shores. Communities of half a* dozen wooden houses with tin roofs cluster on the edge of farms of 10,000 to 200,000 acres, separated by miles of brown grass and snow-capped hills.

Stanley, described by farmers as "the city", resembles a Cornish fishing village with a population of about 1,200. Even now it lacks a dry-cleaner, greengrocer, fishmonger, butcher and solicitor who can do private work full-*time.*

There is a desperate shortage of accommodation: many officials work from clusters of portable builders' cabins. The labour shortage here is even worse. Nearly a third of *government jobs are vacant,* local officials speak of "chronic over-employment", and anyone willing to work can take on not one, but several jobs.



Andrew McEwen

Fish guard: the Red Ensign flies from a fisheries protection vessel checking a Polish trawler

But though the development of the Falklands is starting from a very low base, there is no doubt that a historic corner has been *turned within the last six* months.

Until now the Falklands tended to be seen as a costly possession of questionable value. When Britain threatened to send a large naval task *force in the 1770s after being* dispossessed by Spain, there were those who argued that it was not worth the effort.

When it actually did so two centuries later, in response to a repetition of history by Argentina, the doubters were still more vociferous.

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Even Lord Shackleton's report and subsequent development efforts seemed to have limited impact – until the fishing money started to flow. Now, by contrast, businessmen are saying that if Britain was willing to fight when there seemed to be nothing worth *having, there is not much risk* of its giving up what looks increasingly like an asset.

International opinion may take a long time to catch up, and Argentina is never likely to accept the principle of self-*determination for the island*ers. But no one doubts that the despair and decline which characterized the 1970s have given way to a new mood of self-confidence.

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Growth rate could soar

The development policy of the Falklands is being hammered together in a ramshackle clutter of make-do offices surrounded by the masts of a *disused wireless station.*

There is a whiff of frontier spirit as the Falkland Islands Development Corporation works to diversify the sheep-based economy into fisheries, industry and tourism.

The excitement peeps through its annual report, to be published today. The chairman, Gordon Jewkes, who is also the governor of the islands, points out that the new 150-mile fishing limit has "changed the whole economic outlook".

He adds: "Probably for the first time in its history (the Falklands) has a source of income which should provide a sizeable surplus."

The corporation's prospects have been transformed by the injection of more than £7 million in recent months, raised by persuading fishing companies to invest in 13 joint-venture schemes it runs.

The *bait* – some would call it arm-twisting – was that the government would give preference for fishing licences to companies willing to invest.

Priority is now being given to establishing a Falklands-based fishing industry. A joint venture called SWB Fisheries, 51 per cent owned by the corporation received a £1.4 million contract to buy and refurbish a trawler.

When the ship, the Arctic Freebooter, renamed the Lord Shackleton, arrives in October, it will be the first Falklands-registered trawler, and will compete with Spanish vessels for loligo squid.

A further deep-sea trawler is due to arrive from the Faroes in November, chartered to test the potential for shrimp and scallops. And research has established that crab fishing should be viable, too. So two purpose-built British vessels are being imported *to exploit that.*

The most valuable catch in the Falklands fishery is the illex squid, which also presents the biggest problems, because of the need for specialized techniques of "jigging" for the squid.

So some of the joint ventures involve British companies chartering vessels and crews *from Japan, Korea and Tai*wan. British fishermen will be trained on board, and may one day become captains of Falklands-based jiggers.

Projects still on the drawing board include setting up port and bunkering facilities; a cold store and fish-processing facilities. Plans are being discussed to buy a huge floating dock that was built by the Ministry of Defence in Stanley harbour.

One joint venture that is sure to be a big earner will provide fuel and water for the fishing fleets, which at present bring their own tankers.

Two civil servants, Simon Armstrong, general manager of the corporation, and Brian Cummings, newly appointed chief executive of the government, have given the lead in planning.

But both men emphasize that though they may identify *the options*, the choice lies with the islanders themselves.

They fired the opening shot this month by holding a weekend seminar at which they presented a group of leading local people with three different grand designs.

The most cautious option was *to* use the new wealth to increase living standards, while keeping the fishermen at arm's length and resisting big changes. The most ambitious was to go for flat-out development, accepting that it will mean a large population increase and will bring problems as well as benefits.

Mr Armstrong believes there was general agreement to go for full development. But the seminar was only the start of the democratic process.

He said: "We may have to consider whether in five years time Korean should be in the curriculum of the secondary school. The islanders may find themselves outvoted by newcomers in the future".

One option would be to restrict immigration to Britons and to require a long period of residence before granting voting rights.

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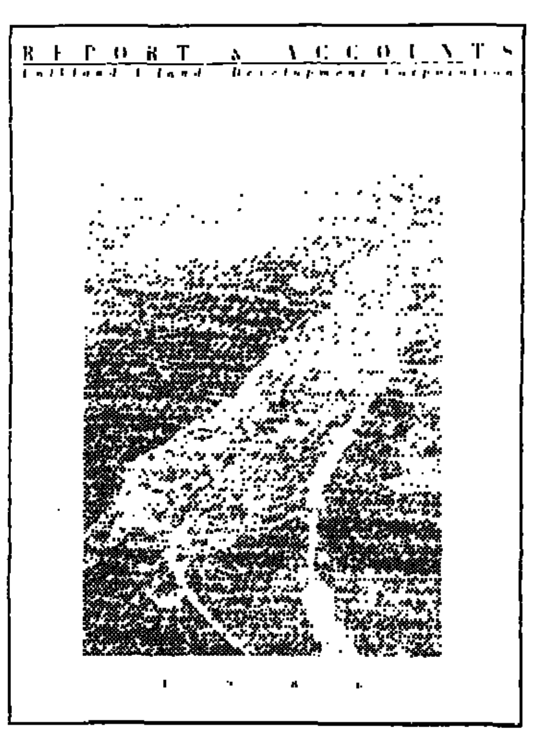

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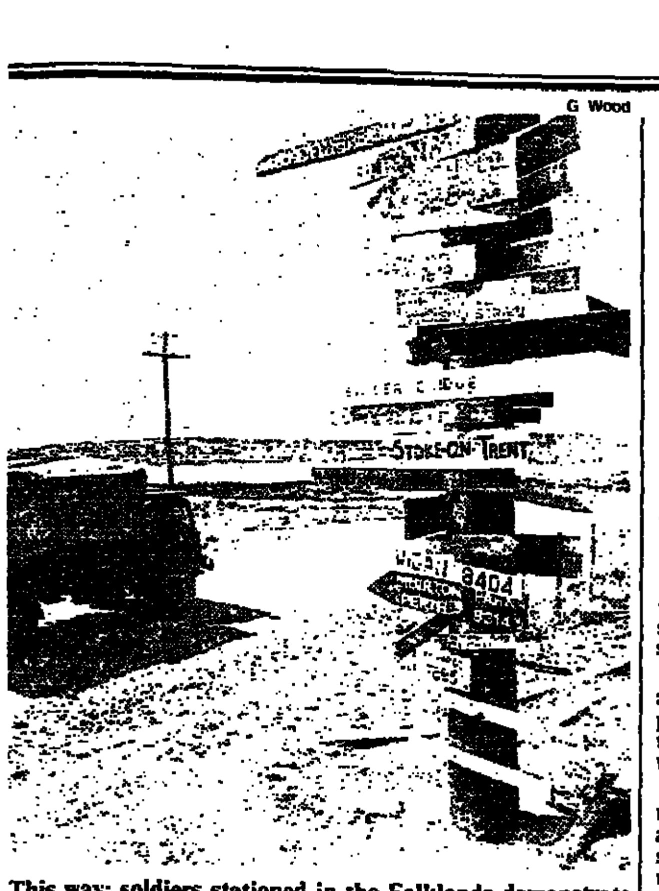

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This way: soldiers stationed in the Falklands demonstrate their nostalgia for home in a multi-directional signpost.

Long, cold days for the troops

It is not hard to guess how Argentina feels about the large revenues the Falkland Islands government is earning from waters which Buenos Aires considers its own.

"Human nature being what it is," said Gordon Jewkes, the governor, "I think there will be some disposition to view it with envy."

But neither he nor Rear Admiral Christopher Layman, Commander of British Forces in the Falklands, believes that this necessarily increases the military risk. Mr Jewkes says that Argentina's sovereignty claim is based on emotional and historical, but not economic, factors.

Though it has never formally declared an end to hostilities, Argentina's stated policy is not to retake the islands by force.

Nevertheless, recent reports of a reduction of British forces (denied by Ministry of Defence sources) have aroused concern among islanders, ever fearful that Britain might *return to the "trip wire" policy* of maintaining only a token force there.

A *tour* of the impressive military complex at Mount Pleasant showed such fears to be fanciful. While the figures are secret, informed guesses suggest that British forces exceed the population of Stanley, although they are probably less than the entire population of the islands.

By comparison, on April 2, 1982, just 66 marines, with three officers and 11 other men, found themselves outnumbered at least 25 to one by Argentine invaders.

The £400 million Mount Pleasant airport, built with an 8,500ft runway to take long-haul jets, has cut *the journey* time from RAF Brize Norton, Oxfordshire, to about 18 hours. *It makes rapid reinforcement* by air feasible.

In an interview, Admiral Layman *said it gave "fingertip* control", allowing force levels to be adjusted to meet the perceived threat. "I am happy with the level of forces. They are here to defend the islands and I am satisfied they can do the job".

Having helped to regain the islands in 1982 as Captain of the frigate *HMS Argonaut*, which survived when two bombs crashed through its decks and failed to explode, Admiral Layman seems unlikely to underestimate the threat.

There was some reduction of numbers when it was decided to centralize the joint-service garrison at Mount Pleasant and its nearby naval facility at Mare Harbour. But defence sources say subsequent departures from the Falklands caused no *further reduction* because replacements were sent in equal numbers.

The British *taxpayer* is spending £257 million this year on Falklands defence, *equivalent to about £130,000* per islander. That figure tends to overshadow the personal sacrifices still being made by the men in uniform.

On the frozen hillsides of Mount Pleasant, the so-called "rock apes" of 63 Squadron, currently the resident Rapier missile squadron, are undoubtedly giving the taxpayer value for money.

Corporal Dave Myatt, Tactical Controller, was on duty, facing into an icy southerly wind as he tracked aircraft with the missile guidance system, when I visted an eight-man detachment known as Call Sign 23.

Squadron Leader Sandy Davie told me: "The wind speed *must be above 25 knots half the time up here*. Sometimes it's so cold that the crews *have to be rotated every* 20 minutes."

Squid by the ton goes into the trawlers' nets

The Falklands are fast becoming the Klondyke of the southern seas for the world's fishing fleets

In the captain's cabin aboard a rusty, 20-year-old Polish trawler, three British fisheries officers clinked vodka-filled glasses with the Scotch-drinking skipper.

An understanding that East and West can do mutually profitable business was about to be cemented with the hospitality of the high seas.

Whatever their diplomats may say at the United Nations about Argentina's claim to sovereignty, few major fishing nations can afford to stay out of the Falklands waters.

The scene has been repeated time after time since July 12, when the first vessels of the new season arrived. Thirty Polish trawlers have received licences to catch blue whiting during the second fishing season *since Britain* declared a 150-mile limit.

Next week it will be the turn *of up to 19 Spanish trawlers*, arriving to catch the immensely valuable loligo squid. They will pay up to £9,722 a month each for the right, but should earn 20 times as much.

Altogether, 90 trawlers *from nine nations* have been offered licences for the second half, which was always expected to be quieter than the first. Then, the pursuit was for illex squid, highly prized in Asia.

Lured by prices of up to $2,500 a tonne, strange-looking Japanese and South Korean vessels known as "jiggers" caught up to 100 tonnes of squid a day each, using powerful lights and computer-controlled lines.

John Pollard, administration manager of Stanley Fisheries, a subsidiary of the Falkland Islands Development Corporation, estimated that at least £500 million worth of illex squid and fin fish was caught between February and June. At one point there were 4,000 fishermen at work — *twice the population* of the islands.

The trawlers come in to *Berkeley Sound, an almost* deserted Falklands bay, to unload their cargoes into specialized vessels known as reefers, to refuel from tankers, and to take on food and water from large mother ships.

Fees are expected to top £14 million — *double the entire Falklands budget*

In May and June they made it the busiest harbour in the southern hemisphere, exceeding Simonstown, Melbourne and Sydney in terms of ship movements, according to Falklands officials. Yet the *only spectators* were the inhabitants of two tiny farm settlements and rows of penguins standing like sentries on the headlands.

All this could soon change. A survey of Port Stanley's harbour completed this month showed that it would be feasible to dredge it to the eight-metre depth needed by the larger vessels.

If the local council approves development plans, the fleets will use Stanley in future, spawning a huge expansion of port facilities and related services.

Extra workers needed to man bunkering, ship-repair and chandlery services, as well as the additional *hotels*, restaurants and shops, could cause a further big population *increase*.

Licence fees, harbour dues and trans-shipping licences are expected to bring *in £14* million this year – equivalent to double the entire Falkland Islands government budget for the previous year. But even that could seem small beer when the development plans reach fruition.

The huge economic prospects have overshadowed the original reason for declaring the arcane-sounding Falklands Interim Conservation and Management Zone, or *FICZ, last October*.

Britain had been under pressure from the islanders for years to take such a step, but had held back, hoping to draw Argentina into a multilateral conservation policy.

Two factors forced the Foreign Office to change tack. The first was the trebling of the number of trawlers in Falklands waters, coupled with warnings from London-based scientists that fish stocks could be depleted.

The second was a decision by Argentina to license Soviet and Bulgarian trawlers to fish in waters overlapping those claimed by Britain.

Peter Derham, director of fisheries, who was formerly Chief Inspector of Fisheries at the Ministry of Agriculture in London — and whose past experience includes the cod wars between Britain and Iceland — believes the decision was taken just in time to prevent lasting harm.

He said: "Last year there were something like 600 vessels here at the peak time. It was like a Klondike. It is *generally thought and hoped* that we have nipped it in the bud, but we will not know for sure until next year".

Much depends on the effectiveness of policing arrangements, which are expected to cost £4 million this year.

Two former British deep-sea trawlers were chartered for use as fisheries protection vessels. There is also a Dornier aircraft, which will operate from Stanley airport.

There was some excitement on July 16 over the presence of *a Soviet reefer (a specialized* cargo vessel) in Berkeley Sound. The ship, the Krimskoye Gory, paid £5,000 for a trans-shipping licence to transfer fish to and from a Polish mother ship called the Gryf Pomorski.

This appeared to cut across Moscow's policy of refusing to buy fishing licences for Falklands waters, but the fishery authorities were happy to accept the money.

Off to explore the city of 1,000

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Sea Lion is one of three stops, in very *different* settings, on a 17-day tour that aims to give a taste of all *aspects of the wildlife* and culture of the Falklands. It costs about £2,500, including travel, meals and guides.

Another stop is Port Howard, a 200,000-acre sheep farm on West Falkland. Guests stay in the former farm manager's house and meet local people *like Ken Bernsten, aged 44*, the foreman, whose Norwegian great-great-grandfather *settled in the Falklands in the* 19th century. "I wouldn't live anywhere else," he says. "Can't stand cities. Two days in Stanley and I go up the wall."

With a population of just over 1,000, Stanley hardly qualifies as a city, but it does not take long to begin to view the world through Mr Bernten's perspective.

There are also guided tours of the battlefields for military buffs. A group of 16 that came in April included a High Court judge, a retired bank manager and a former petty officer.

Restoring the tourism industry, devastated by the 1982 war, has been a priority of the Falkland Islands Development *Corporation*.

Graham Bound, managing director of Falkland Island Tourism, a *subsidiary of the* corporation, said that in the *past the Falklands received* about 5,000 visitors a year by sea and a further 1,000 by air *from South America*.

Last year there were under 100 genuine tourists, which excludes cruise passengers, who spend relatively little in the islands. This year Mr Bound hopes for 200, and is concentrating on the discerning, *well-heeled traveller*.

Meanwhile Stanley's best-known hotel, the Upland Goose, is being refurbished, and the surprisingly-named Malvina House Hotel is to be *done up too*.

● *Further information from: Falkland Islands Tourism (0904-782136).*

DATELINES

1690: Captain John Strong *lands and names islands after* Viscount Falkland, Treasurer of Navy. French seal hunters come later and call them "les Malouines" after home port St Malo. Spanish subsequently turn this into "las Malvinas".

1764: First French colony.

1765: Britain claims islands. First British colony in 1766.

1767: France hands over colony to Spain. Governor sent.

1770: Spanish fleet forces *British colony to leave*.

1771: Britain threatens to send task force. Spain backs down. British colony reestablished and co-exists alongside Spanish colony.

1774: British colony folds on economic grounds. Britain retains sovereignty claim.

1811: 32nd Spanish governor leaves. Islands are now uninhabited.

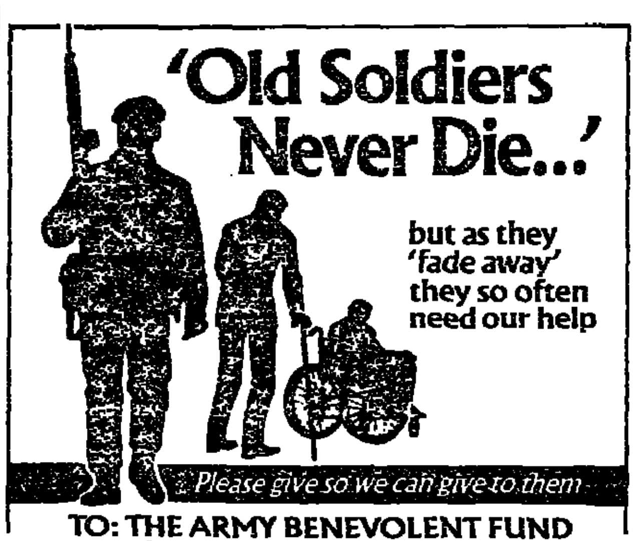
1820: Argentina claims *sovereignty*.

1833: Argentine governor forced to leave by British warship. British colony reestablished.

1914: British fleet destroys four German cruisers in Battle of the Falklands.

1982: Argentine forces invade April 2; surrender June 14.

1986: *Sir Geoffrey Howe declares 150-mile fishing limit.*



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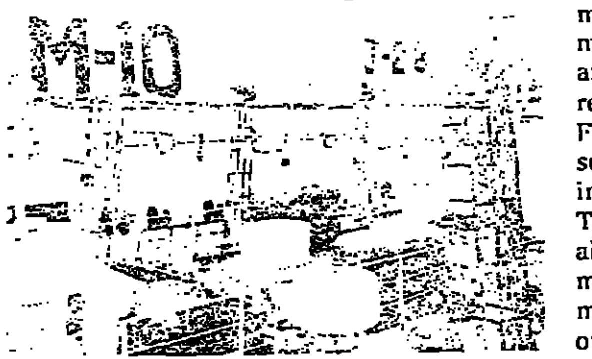

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The trouble with television plays about artists is that sooner or later the audience *gets to see the paintings*. Since very few playwrights are attracted to the idea of an untalented artist there is a point when disbelief can no longer be suspended. The author's suavest characters may continually assure us that the artist is a painter of dazzling skills, but we cannot go on ignoring the evidence of our eyes. *Moving Portraits* (Channel 4), a play about a young Asian artist, stumbled awkwardly at this first hurdle.

It was impossible to accept that the young artist, a London-educated Indian, was driven by a passionate need to record the ravaged face of human suffering when his pictures were the sort of slick and bloodless canvases that are usually propped against the Hyde Park railings. When our hero made the painful break from his Hindu family, one longed for an anarchically truthful character to emerge from the shadows and say "the only issue here is one of talent, *and you have none*".

TELEVISION

But even if the play's first premise had been convincing *Moving Portraits* would not have worked as drama. The *author, Dilip Hiro*, has an accomplished record as a writer for the stage, but this play, his first for television, had the uncomfortable air of a thesis lifted from the pages of a pamphlet. The young Asian spoke either like an Edwardian aesthete ("I paint only what I care about") or like an Islington councillor ("You're trying to put me in an ethnic pigeon-hole"). There was even a woman teacher from an East End comprehensive who supplied questionable moral support with *lines like "There is* such a thing as cultural *imperialism, you know*".

The play, sensitively directed by Horace Ove, did have its moments of small truth. The artist's father, a bewildered businessman beautifully played by Rashid Karapiet, took hold of the scene in which disappointment flares into rage and anguish and made it throb with life. Alas, this was the spur for the son to leave home, and we were *left with a succession of scenes* in which banalities fell with the damp thud of old fruit.

Michael Dean

Drama lived to the full

OPERA

The Queen of Spades
Covent Garden

Donald Cooper

The Countess dies under the pressure of Herman's desperate demand for her secret: Irina Bogachova, Alexei Steblyanko

Visitors who come to the Kirov *Queen of Spades* fresh from David Pountney's Coliseum production are likely to be as disorientated and alienated as the hero.

It is not just that the Russians use a fuller text and *have* the advantage of dancers from their ballet troupe. Nor is it just that the opening actually looks as if it is taking place in a park in the St Petersburg of Catherine the Great: one might, after all, have expected this company to give a fair imitation of its own city. Nor is it simply that the original language makes for a greater musical coherence (the crucial, often recurring phrase, "three cards", benefits most conspicuously). Rather the Kirov production astounds by taking the opera out of Herman's head and giving it a full, social habitation.

But yet we are far from *being in any world outside the* theatre. Even if the costumes look well made and sumptuous enough to pass for real, the lighting and the use of flat, *painted scenery confirm every* received idea about the conservatism of Soviet opera production, as indeed does the acting, which reveals a similar belief that stock figures and evident artificiality can be directly emotive.

One might explain all this as a gigantic irony, a deliberate *attempt to restore the theatri*cal conventions of the 1950s, if not earlier, so that the melodrama can be played out *in inverted commas*, and so some response can be found to the semi-seriousness of the Pushkin. However, I do not think this can have been the aim of Yuri Temirkanov, who is producer as well as conductor, nor of Igor Ivanov, the designer. For one thing, the singers look very much as if they mean every bit of it: their conviction is one of the *evening's great strengths*. For another, the work probably could not stand much in the way of a double perspective.

Tchaikovsky may have ad*mired the classical* fusion of sentiment and wit he found above all in Mozart, but it was not a note he felt he could hit himself, except in such conscious fakes as the pastoral interlude in this opera; and that interlude would lose its point if it did not contrast with the real emotions at issue outside it.

Quite properly those emotions have their centre in the Herman of Alexei Steblyanko. He is a man of Napoleonic stature, but the voice is big and strong, with a sound baritone register. It is not a charming instrument, but then charm is not required here. What is needed is *mounting wildness*, which Mr Steblyanko amply offers: from the scene of the Countess's death he grows ever more varied in tone, extravagant in gesture and powerful in voice. It is a performance that demands acceptance on its own terms.

Rather effectively, Larissa Shevchenko's Lisa becomes something of a cipher *in point* of character, though her singing is excellent. She is a thoroughly Russian soprano, with a fine top but the ability *to keep a rich clotted-cream* texture and a quick vibrato right through her range. She aptly contrasts with the plainer manner of Yevgeniya Gorokhovskaya's Pauline, while Lyudmila Filatova makes a nicely humorous moment of the governess's entry.

Among the supporting men, Sergei Leiferkus *provides* an outstanding Tomsky. He alone of the cast was already familiar, but his cool, dark projection has a new appropriateness in his native tongue, and his sardonic demeanour is exactly right. There is also a fine, grave and noble Yeletsky from Vladimir Chernov.

However, perhaps the chief glory of the evening was to hear the Kirov's orchestra producing such romantic ardour. More on them after *Onegin* on Saturday.

Paul Griffiths

PROMENADE CONCERT

BBCWSO/Thomson
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Roger Smalley tells us he wrote his Piano Concerto, receiving its first London performance here, deliberately in the genre of "composer-performed concertos". It is a dangerous comment: Prokofiev, Rachmaninov and Bartók cast formidable shadows. Yet although the one-movement concerto certainly has no big, gushing melodies, there is a whiff of Rachmaninov about its assertive, unselfconscious rhetoric. There is a dramatic use of silence, and of percussion to underline virtuoso piano passages, and more than a reminiscence of Prokofiev.

The slow interlude for the soloist, where the music suddenly subsides into nothing less than old-fashioned tonality (this must be the one "intermodulation" no one would have expected from the Smalley of old) and the piano declaims a bittersweet solo in neoclassical chords, evokes Prokofiev, as does the scurrying, *moto perpetuo* figuration of the final section.

However, Smalley's other claim, that the work is "considerably different from any previous concerto", is not entirely far-fetched. The old combative approach, piano versus orchestra, is replaced by a series of intriguingly conceived orchestral timbres which bind the soloist (indeed, in this performance anyway, often obscure him) into the texture.

It is this colouring, rather than the unmemorable thematic material, that gives the concerto personality: the opening's shock chords, each uniquely scored; the slightly jazzy arabesques for trios of woodwind instruments; or the Ligeti-like percussion games with quickening or slowing pulse.

Smalley played his work with much flair, and the BBC Welsh SO under Bryden Thomson delivered their share with far more distinction than an imprecise performance of the four Dance Interludes from Copland's *Rodeo* had led one to expect. Later, however, came a satisfyingly sonorous account of Walton's First Symphony.

The scherzo perhaps had more *blunt anger than "malizia" about it*, and Thomson took a brisk and unsentimental view of the Andante; but in the outer movements this whole-hearted orchestra did capture *the symphony's* essential mixture of surging energy, melancholy and unbridled pomp.

Richard Morrison

In bed with the independents

The BBC is forging ahead of ITV in its relations with the small producers

Michael Grade, who has a headline on his hips almost as often as a cigar, described yesterday as an "historic" day *for the BBC*. The momentous event was an announcement by the corporation's director of television programmes that, in under four months, the BBC *has spent £4 million on 100* hours of programmes made by outside independent production companies.

The *list of 44 programmes*, from more than 30 different independents, is the swift realization of a pledge made by the BBC's Director General, Michael Checkland, in March, shortly after his appointment. And as Grade firmly emphasized, it shows that Checkland's newly *businesslike BBC is leaving* ITV far behind in its enthusiasm for working with the independents.

As he put it, the BBC cannot ignore the fact that some of the best talent in television now prefers to be self-employed. "At the end of the day the BBC will be smaller than it is today. It has to be."

Ever since the Peacock Committee recommended that 40 per cent of both the BBC's and ITV's programming should be supplied by independent producers — mainly small companies set up by former BBC and ITV staff to make programmes for Channel 4 — the Government has taken up their cause with a passion.

The Home Office wants a 25 per cent independent production quota in broadcasting, believing that small companies can produce programmes more cheaply than the broadcasters, and that the power *base of the television* trade unions will be weakened in the process. Such a quota is strongly tipped for inclusion in next autumn's new Broadcasting Bill.

Checkland seized the political initiative in March by announcing that the BBC planned to be committing £24 million a year to 600 hours of independent production by 1990 — about 12 per cent of its television output, excluding news and breakfast programming.

The budgets for the 44 programmes announced yesterday (some of which have already been shown) vary from £5,000 to £500,000. They range across the whole of the BBC1 and BBC2 output, and *20 of them have been wholly* funded and commissioned from independents. The rest are joint efforts.

The package includes a comedy series *starring* Emma Thompson, produced by Humphrey Barclay Productions; two series of American basketball from Cheerleader Productions; a weekly review of the tabloid press produced by Mersey Television (producer of Channel 4's soap *Brookside)*; six historical profiles of Great Britons from Brook Productions; and three documentaries from Aspect Films.

"Most of the programmes are for peak-time — we are not seeking to push the independents into a ghetto at the extremes of the schedule," Grade said.

The independents are at liberty to use outside facilities such as freelance crews, studios and editing suites, a market into which the BBC is already putting £20 million. The corporation, however, does not want to deal with industrial relations problems in independent productions which use ACTT members (the TV technicians union not recognized by the BBC), and this is still a contentious issue.

To the Government's displeasure, the ITV companies' negotiations with the independents are going poorly, and the IBA has not decided whether to support ITV's stance or make a politically prudent recognition of the inevitability of an independent production quota.

Grade crowed yesterday: "We're about a year ahead of ITV in these negotiations." He added that the BBC's big lead should enable it to form "exclusive relationships with the best independents — something I'm very interested in."

David Housham

THEATRE

Light Up the Sky
Globe

Moss Hart told it like it was in his stage autobiography, *Act One*, but failed to deliver an equally faithful Act Two in this backstage comedy of 1948. *Light Up the Sky* is the work of a man who knows too much about show business to believe that the customers are going to take much interest in what actually goes on.

So he takes them behind the scenes for a blow-by-blow account of a Boston try-out. The leading lady is the usual monster of egotism. The producer has come in from backing ice-shows. The director is a posturing narcissist. The playwright is a newcomer, dazed with gratitude that these wonderful people should be *putting on his first work*.

Hart keeps pretty quiet about the work: unsurprisingly, as the plot requires it to flop in the second act and *triumph in the third. But he* does let slip the information that it is set in the debris of Radio City Music Hall in the aftermath of an atomic bomb. Just the kind of piece to attract a speculative investor like the roaring Sidney, and go on to collect Broadway raves: Hart's fable, in short, is a tribute to the kind of priggish integrity from which his own work is in fast retreat.

Elijah Moshinsky's production makes out a much better case for the play than the Old Vic version of two years ago. It is extremely well costumed and designed (Michael Levine and Sally Gardner), and in some respects better cast. But its main achievement is to have decisively detached the characters from the actual world of squabbles in smoke-filled rooms, and released them into a fairy-tale zone where stereotypes belong.

The first sight of Keith Baxter, hurtling on in the manner of Sir John Martin Hervey on his way to the scaffold, is enough to dismantle his resemblance to any director, living or dead. He is, however, very funny indeed. Gwen Taylor as the leading lady is always immaculate and smiling, but capable of giving a thousand different emphases to the word "darling" and of changing ground from hard-bitten pro to dutiful daughter.

Irving Wardle

● Although Brian Wilson appeared with the Beach Boys on the American leg of their 25th anniversary tour, he was not present at their one British date, reviewed by David Sinclair on July 21. The musician incorrectly referred to was in fact Jeff Foskits.

A relish for human foibles

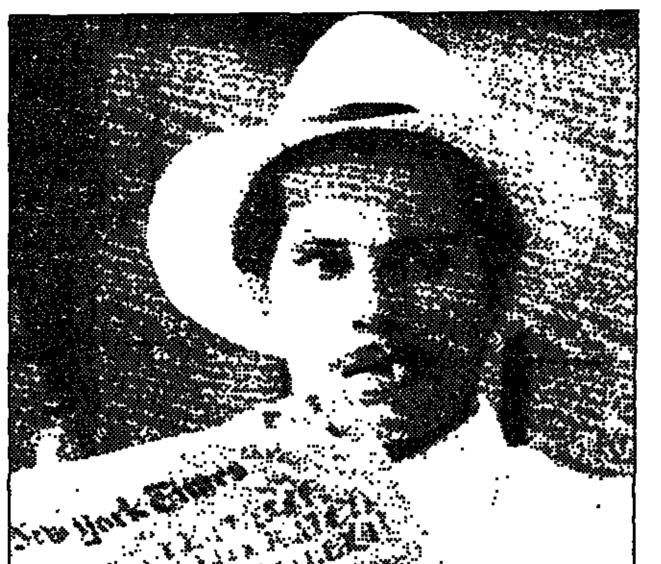
CINEMA

Tin Men (15)
Warner West End

Opera do Malandro (15)
Lumière

The Magic Toyshop (15)
Camden Plaza; Gate Notting Hill

Superman IV (PG)
Warner West End


Edson Celulari as the shady Max in *Opera do Malandro*

With **Tin Men**, the writer-director Barry Levinson returns triumphantly to Baltimore, the city of his childhood, the city of his engaging début film *Diner*, in which various adolescents muddled through the last week of 1959. *"Tin Men"*, Levinson says, "takes place on the other side of the diner. While my friends and I used to hang out in the right-hand side of the restaurant, the tin men gathered in the left." These were salesmen for aluminium sidings, who tried to twist blue-collar suburbia into covering their exterior walls and roofs with enamelled sheets of aluminium. The arm-twisting takes mischievous forms. In one scene the salesmen pose as *Life* magazine photographers, taking the Before picture for a Before and After spread on house improvements. The house-proud wife naturally wants to be After; and, hey presto, they have a sale.

This is not, though, a film about aluminium. Levinson focuses on two salesmen, B.B. and Tilley, trapped in a personal feud. Things start with a minor car collision; side-view mirrors and windows are then demolished in the Laurel and Hardy manner. B.B. moves in on Tilley's wife, easily securing her amorous attentions. Uncle Sam then padlocks Tilley's house for non-payment of taxes; and both salesmen face investigation by the state's newly-formed Home Improvement Committee (the year is 1963).

Much material rests on the shoulders of B.B. and Tilley. Richard Dreyfuss, as the slick, natty B.B., and Danny DeVito as the pugnacious rival, make a neat odd couple; you can almost sniff the television series about their future adventures. Levinson orchestrates the tit-for-tat games *with a fine relish* for obsessive human behaviour and the labyrinths of deceit. Yet they remain to some extent the writer's puppets, along with Tilley's wife (Barbara Hershey). The real life lies with the supporting salesmen, beautifully played, lounging about in colour-clashing outfits or musing on the defects of *Bonanza*. As in *Diner*, Levinson orchestrates the period details with a master's hand, whether they be Cadillac tailfins, an automatic record-changer or a Sinatra song. *Tin Men* may be a little thin on top, but its texture deep down is delicious.

Ruy Guerra, director of the Brazilian **Opera do Malandro**, says: "What I hope the audience will feel is that this was a film made with a great deal of pleasure and joy, and that they'll come away from it full of gaiety and wanting to dance". "Lead me to it, quick!" you might think. But the film may not set too many feet tapping. In theory, the ingredients are interesting: a *tale of small-time hoods*, crooked cops and prostitutes in Rio during the chaotic days of the Second World War; a film of total artifice, proudly trumpeting its studio sets and stereotyped characters, in which song and dance erupt from all corners.

The opening shot promises great magic: the camera pulls back from a movie screen (showing gangster stuff) and sails over the roofs of Rio's underworld. To these characters, America is an El Dorado: the elegantly shady hero calls himself Max Overseas, and mentions New York with religious reverence. But Guerra, a veteran of Brazil's Cinema Novo of the 1960s, rarely pitches the fantasy at the right jaunty tone. Intense close-ups emphasize numerous incidents of broad acting, and the lighting is perilously dark. The musical numbers, too, only occasionally become *poetry in motion*: the blunt cut and thrust of the ensemble shots recalls cattle stampedes in Westerns, though a jealousy duet filmed from above is *imaginatively handled*. Chico Buarque's songs are spirited, but no match for Brecht and Weill's *Threepenny Opera* — the musical's obvious inspira*tion. Gaiety seekers* will have to hang on.

"It's a lot to take in all at once", observes the teenage heroine of **The Magic Toyshop**, introduced to her stern Uncle Philip's private mario*nette theatre. It is indeed*, especially for those unfamiliar with the literary world of Angela Carter, from whose novel this fey British film derives.

The air is heavy with fairy-tale symbolism: paintings and photographs wink at the characters; a wood block sprouts leaves. The director David Wheatley, experienced at the odder kind of television arts documentary, takes evident delight in piling on the hermetic atmosphere, but there is not much plot to clutch at — just a trio of children, suddenly *bereaved, sent to live at their* uncle's toyshop. Tom Bell, as the uncle, works hard bringing his strange, sketchy character to life: and Caroline Milmoe, the teenager on the brink of a sexual awakening, looks the part perfectly. But the film remains obstinately academic in tone.

There is one conclusion to the Geneva arms reduction talks that neither East nor West has considered. Superman gathers all nuclear weapons into a net and hurls them towards the sun. One side-effect might be devastating universal fall-out, though this never happens in **Superman IV**, the first film since Alexander Salkind sold the character's screen rights to Golan and Globus, the Cannon boys. Instead, arch-villain Lex Luther creates a new weapon from test-tube trickery and a lock of Superman's hair. The result: Nuclear Man, a blond hulk with the I.Q. of a pencil sharpener, employed to scotch any possibility of *Superman V*.

This is fantasy film-making of a very poor order. The story-line is carelessly treated, with garbled remnants of the Superman legend tossed around to no effect. Much of Metropolis looks like Milton Keynes, and we never get any convincing flying: haste or economics has produced suspended bodies brutally superimposed over travelogue backgrounds. The acting team remains unchanged — Christopher Reeve, Gene Hackman, Margot Kidder — but the old panache is nowhere. Sidney Furie directed.

Geoff Brown

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Cheating at Marbles?

Peter Ackroyd on the latest chapter in the perennial controversy: the emblem of the glories of Greece sunless in the British Museum

THE ELGIN MARBLES
Should they be returned to Greece?
By Christopher Hitchens
Chatto & Windus, £12.95

A dispute that has lasted for over 170 years has, if nothing else, publicity value. In fact the controversy over those marbles lodged in the British Museum reappears about once in every five years, according to one Elgin-watcher, rather like an aesthetic version of the Loch Ness Monster — although this can hardly have been what Plutarch meant when he praised the Parthenon sculptures for containing a "perpetual breath of life, and an unageing soul mingled in their composition".

The Parthenon itself has endured, too, albeit in truncated form. In the fifth century BC it was built as a temple to Athena, and it survived the vicissitudes of the centuries until it had the misfortune to be reconsecrated as a Christian church some 800 years later. Christians can sometimes be relentless vandals; and, although the Parthenon became a Turkish mosque in the 15th century, the Venetians were the real despoilers when in the 1680s they happily mutilated what centuries of "barbarians" had preserved.

It is only to be expected, however, that most of the animus in Christopher Hitchens's book should be reserved for the unfortunate seventh Earl of Elgin, who, when he was appointed British ambassador to the Ottoman government in 1799, managed with the tacit approval of the Sultan's ministers to remove 50 slabs of the Parthenon frieze and 15 metopes. All of which booty was eventually sold to the British Government in 1816 for £35,000 — even then, the Marbles seemed cheap at the price.

For this Elgin has been universally execrated as a Visigoth from the Court of St James, an acquisitive imperialist before the birth of Empire — and what Byron in *Childe Harold's Pilgrimage* called "the worst, dull spoiler". In his own account of the controversy Christopher Hitchens is perhaps a little more moderate in his criticisms, and his case against Elgin is resolved into two essential charges — that he sometimes confused private gain with artistic altruism, and that the *firman* (the document supposed to grant him the power to remove objects from the Parthenon) was at best ambiguous in its scope.

In fairness it ought to be added, however, that from the start of his mission Elgin was concerned genuinely to refine national taste. And it is certainly true that his exhibition of the sculptures in England did change the understanding of classical art, even if it did very little to improve actual artistic practice. It ought to be pointed out, too, that Elgin himself was almost ruined by his acquisitions; from the time of their removal the Marbles became no more than millstones, and they were, another biographer has suggested, "the ruin of his life".

Of course, this can be said really only in extenuation. Even at the time Elgin was severely criticized for his conduct in Athens; and, during the Commons debate on their purchase, his extirpation was described as an "act of spoliation". But it is a little late in the day to attack the man, as on occasions Hitchens is tempted to do. What Byron has achieved already it is perhaps unnecessary to repeat; and, in any case, the argument for the return of the Marbles can have nothing to do with Elgin's conduct in 1816. The 20th century cannot redeem the misdemeanours of the 19th; if that were so, there would be no end to reparation.

Of course Hitchens implicitly recognizes that fact, and much of his well-researched and well-argued book is concerned with the aesthetic case for a putative "restoration of the Parthenon". And yet aesthetics is not an independent discipline; it rests upon other values; and, as one of Elgin's contemporaries said, the possession of the Marbles "would conduce not only to the perfection of the arts, but to the elevation of our national character, to our opulence, to our substantial greatness." It is as if in acquiring the Parthenon sculptures we were gaining some primal source of symmetry and *virtu*, some classical Grail.

And that is precisely the point: the Elgin Marbles were then, and are now, more than simply the Elgin Marbles. They have become symbols of nationalism, emblems of classical order, tokens of imperial power — all of these elements combining together to render them more permanent than marble, grander and more significant even than their aesthetic presence.

That is why the case for or against their return uncovers temperamental rather than artistic differences between the protagonists. Those who argue for their return to Greece tend to be optimistic and humanitarian, for example — an attitude perhaps best exemplified by Colin MacInnes who demanded a "disinterested gesture" and proclaimed that he had "an irrational faith in the ultimate decency of my fellow countrymen". Those who oppose their return tend to be more realistic, more pessimistic, and therefore more conservative — the word *retention*, which summarizes their stance, perhaps suggesting the psychological unease which the whole issue provokes in them.

The present reviewer happens to agree with Hitchens that the Marbles should never have been removed, because there is such a thing as the sanctity of place; but this is a difficult concept to introduce into what is an already overcrowded debate, and in any case the Elgin Marbles have now acquired so different an identity that their removal from the British Museum might be as great an act of violence as their original extirpation. Yet it is a tribute to Hitchens's account that it is possible to argue with him — *The Elgin Marbles* is by no means blindly partisan, and, although it deflates some of the more preposterous arguments advanced by the retentionists, it still leaves some room for doubts even on its own side. But one cannot help but feel that this book, too, is destined for that void where all disputes about the Elgin Marbles end — it is, now, far too late.

Cops and hookers

FICTION

John Nicholson

LOVE NEST
By Andrew Coburn
Secker & Warburg, £10.95

ALL RISKS MORTALITY
By Peter Cunningham
Michael Joseph, £10.95

COLD NEW DAWN
By Ian St James
Collins, £10.95

TABLE NUMBER SEVEN
By Victor Canning
Heinemann, £10.95

Neither of the men in the motel room have any stomach for their work. "She died hard," observes the medical man, and adds: "I think she was a hooker."

The bruised body they have been examining belonged to a young woman. Suede boots, designer jeans, cobweb knickers, and a charcoal sweater monogrammed M lie on the chair beside the queen-sized bed. A leather shoulder bag contains no further clue to the victim's identity. The policeman doesn't need it, however. "I know she was," he replies. "I did her a favour once."

So it transpires did many other leading citizens of Andover, Mass., a town arriviste businessman Alfred Bauer described as where you plant money and watch it grow. He was talking to Rita, sister of mobster Tony O'Dea. Despite the best efforts of minder Ralph Roselli, Tony is no longer with us. Rita is, though, and she used to dote on the dead girl. So did her godson, Alfred's son Walter Bauer. Alfred himself was far from indifferent to Melody Haines's charms. Nor was his wife Harriet, herself a lady of the night before Alfred made an honest woman of her, or their attorney William Rollins.

Considering how recently she came to town, Melody seems to have made a remarkable impact on Andover society. Even banker Ed Fellows and his wife Claire, who represent an older, more genteel New England tradition, have been scorched by her youthful flame. Ed's assistant Fran Lovell certainly had no reason to love the newcomer, while go-getter Paige Gately isn't sure how her scheme to buy the Silver Bell motor lodge from the Bauers will be affected by the sickening events in room 46. And what of the sinister Dr Stickney, a quack with interests in areas not covered by the Hippocratic oath? Any of them might have wanted Melody dead, but it's Sonny Dawson who needs to know — for personal and professional reasons — who actually smashed her perfectly-formed rib-cage.

Former crime reporter Andrew Coburn must be a strong contender for the title of top American mystery writer. Like his closest rival George V. Higgins, Coburn sets his stories on the East Coast. Since Boston low-life is still almost a contradiction in terms, both men have an advantage over a writer like Ross MacDonald, whose choice of Southern Californian locations inevitably invites unflattering comparisons with Chandler. Mr Coburn's assets are formidable. He combines an eye for detail with real narrative skill, and he creates a cast of quirky but credible characters to bring his baroque plots to life. *Love Nest* is the perfect holiday read for adults of both sexes.

Irish writer Peter Cunningham's new book is a cross between Dick Francis and Frederick Forsyth. An ex-champion horse dies unexpectedly early in its stud career, to the intense irritation of Rispey General Insurance boss Jim Rodriguez. So ace investigator Mart Blaney is despatched, first to Europe then on to the Middle East, to sort out a conspiracy involving former Nazis, crooked Arab financiers, fanatic Zionists, and other assorted sources of villainy. *All Risks Mortality* may sound like a best-seller painted by numbers, but once Mr Cunningham gets into his stride, he goes like the clappers.

Ian St James represents a different approach to the blockbuster business. While present circumstances may counsel caution, future critics will surely describe this tradition as Archerian. Like the great Jeffrey of that ilk, Mr St James was both a millionaire and a bankrupt before the age of 30. Moreover his books, like those of Mr Archer, contain little or no sex and violence.

Nor does Mr St James deem it necessary to tax his readers with characters made of material more durable than cardboard or themes more original than rags-to-riches, father-son conflict, or corruption in high places. *Cold New Dawn* contains all three elements, plus a few showbiz shenanigans (nothing too saucy, of course). The mixture fizzes quite effectively, without much passion but with more than enough PTP (page-turning potential) to pull in the punters.

Readers of the late Victor Canning required no persuasion to read to the end of any of his more than 40 books. Mr Canning was a master storyteller, admired by other writers for his professionalism, and with a loyal readership who enjoyed being given value for money. *Table Number Seven* demonstrates a technique which served its owner well, intact to the end.

For Learner Readers

CHILDREN

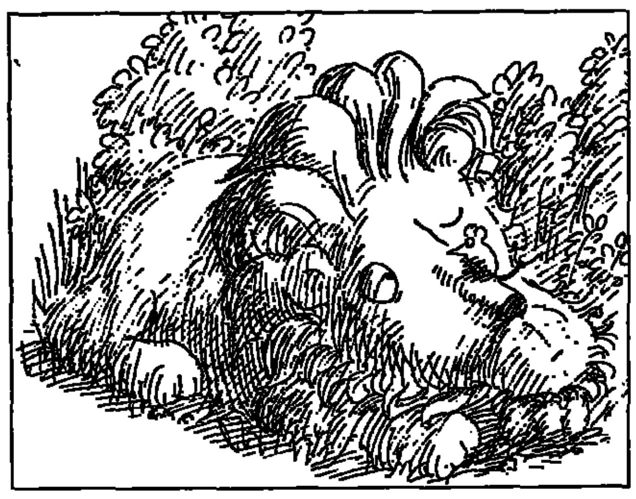
Brian Alderson

NOW I KNOW
By Aidan Chambers
The Bodley Head, £4.95

GIDEON AHOY!
By William Mayne
Viking Kestrel, £6.95

"Adolescent fiction" needs regular attention from the cartographers, and Jessica Yates's recent survey *Teenager to Young Adult* will prove a reliable handbook for those who find themselves in that debatable land. Published by the School Library Association (£2.90) it is ostensibly for people who work with adolescents, but the generous pragmatism of Mrs Yates's selection of some 165 paperbacks for 13 to 19-year-olds, and the good sense of her running commentary on them, give the list a value for anyone curious about these hybrid fictions written for those who are growing up.

Unsurprisingly, Aidan Chambers figures regularly in the list, both as critical apologist, editor of collections, and novelist in his own right. He has long been a leading proponent of the thesis that stories "written and published for teenagers" not only exist, but do so of necessity. Oddly enough though, his own fiction seems to be a vehicle for self-indulgent experimentation rather than the simple trade of storytelling. In *Now I Know* we have at the core a train of events through which sceptical Nick falls for warm-gospelling Julie, only to find that, after she has been terribly injured in a bombing, she seeks only the desireless love of friendship. In consequence Nick sets about organizing an ultimately misjudged, do-it-yourself crucifixion in a local scrapyard.



The lion and the mouse, the dear old parable retold from Aesop, from *A Book of Mice*, a pretty book of children's musology and mousestories down the ages, compiled by Rosemary Debnam, and illustrated by David McKee *(Heinemann, £6.95)*

As if that wasn't drama enough for one book, Mr Chambers throws in a banal sub-plot in which a local bobby investigates this unusual misdemeanor. The brew is then served in several chopped-up time-sequences, partly in conventional narrative, partly through diaries and tapes, garnished with a quantity of further flashbacks, quotations and sermons, some of which come more directly from the author than from the characters involved. For a critic who is eager for the conversion of non-reading adolescents to reading ones it seems a trifle perverse, but the play with technique may simply be because Mr Chambers doesn't trust himself to tell his story straight.

That also is odd in so far as he has in the past fussed about some of the obliquity that belongs to William Mayne's writing for young people. With Mayne, though, there is a consistent urge towards off-beat descriptions with the purpose of making the reader see (and feel) the facts of the story afresh. Such a method is well to the fore in *Gideon Ahoy!* which treats of a family in which the eldest son is brain-damaged (and deaf). This Gideon is inducted into work on a local pleasure-barge — to which he takes well enough, disasters only following through his extremely limited sense of time ("It was all Now to him").

Through his off-centre writing however and his wonderful sense of character, Mayne achieves a portrayal of human feelings, friendship, and family love — that is beyond the tiresome verbiage of *Now I Know*. Indeed, there is more immediacy of horror in the scene where Gideon's hand is crushed between barge and dock, than in Chambers's gruesome description of the process of crucifixion (which I have a sneaking suspicion that he pinched from a newspaper anyway).

Wild-life superwidows

FICTION

Kenneth Robinson

SAVAGES
By Shirley Conran
Sidgwick & Jackson, £12.95

Readers of Shirley Conran's *Superwoman* guides to household management will know she is never squeamish about unpleasant facts. "Do remember to flush three times," she once wrote with brutal frankness about a plumbing problem. "And always use a plunger that looks like a black rubber hollow breast."

After such explicit language, Shirley's fans will not be surprised by her boldly-nauseating prose in *Savages*. In this wild-life version of *Superwoman*, she destroys a bunch of American executives at a conference on a Pacific island, so that we can learn what their widows discover about survival in the jungle — including how to cannibalize a friend who is still warm enough to be palatable.

We also learn how to hypnotize and decapitate a frog before baking it; how to detect the so-called "honeymoon fruit" by its fragrance (the children will love this rude bit), and what to expect from a lesbian relationship, including involuntary shuddering, suffused glowing, sudden melting.

We learn, too, that a bat tangling in a woman's hair is merely trying to find its mother; that a four-foot shark will never bite off more than half a leg at a time; and that if a Superwidow sees a rat in the jungle, she must be prepared to cook it, without its liver.

But first she must kill the rat, with a catapult made from the elastic of a discarded bra. And this shows how far Shirley has come since her earliest *Superwoman* was published. "If you see a rat," she told her readers in 1975, "you should telephone the town hall."

That, I suppose, sums up the secret of Shirley Conran's rise from housewife's friend to blockbusting success. Yesterday's sanitary inspector has become today's chef.

Only connect with people and places

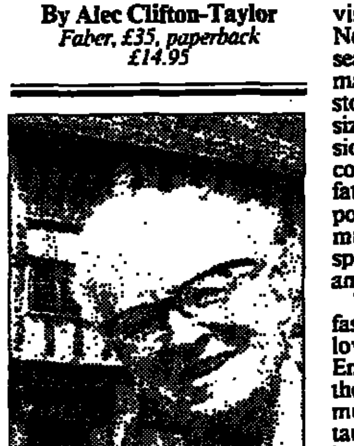
Fiona MacCarthy

THE PATTERN OF ENGLISH BUILDING
By Alec Clifton-Taylor
Faber, £35, paperback £14.95

There are two very curious things about this book. When it was first published, in 1962, Alec Clifton-Taylor was already 55. And really and truly he never wrote another; his later books were minor variations on the theme. *The Pattern of English Building* was his masterwork, and as it seems now, in the retrospective pleasures of this handsome new edition, this was the point at which his life-long disciplines of travelling, observing, collating information, came together. If one wants a prime example of the one-man one-book theory this is it.

How exactly to explain the sort of book it is? It is not quite a guide book, being looser and more general: but like Marina Warner's *Monuments and Maidens* it is a book which alters one's perception of surroundings. You don't pack it (with the picnic), it goes with you in your mind. It is geology and history and building crafts and street scenes. It is autobiography and didacticism. It is also, partly, cookery: the Clifton-Taylor recipe for repointing old stone walls is to use a mixture of six or seven parts of coarse clean sand to one of lime, beaten up with water.

This was the man whose *Who's Who* entry had the classic list of recreations: "gazing at mountains, quizzing old churches and houses, painting, gardening, writing limericks, looking up other people in *Who's Who*." His great interest, call it a grandiose hobby, was establishing connections, and the power of this book is its sense of being written by someone quite extraordinarily well equipped to relate large things and small things. He combined a vast repository of general knowledge of building materials, trading relationships, transport facilities, local tastes, and fashions with hundreds and thousands of minutely-observed details. To fasten down the limestone roof slates at Walworth Castle, Durham, the breast bones of chickens were used.



Sight-seer, traveller, *didactic, curious*, the nation's pedagogue, the public-school master many people never had

The Pattern has begun, of course, to seem a period piece, the work of an original Old Fogey. And indeed so much the better. Now that styles and ways of buildings have become so international, Clifton-Taylor's close analysis of English tradition looks ever more necessary and compelling. It is a precise and amiable vision, with the recognizably Neo-Romantic instinct to search out remote peculiar materials like sarsens, sandstone boulders of questionable size and shape, and the passionate defence of variation in colours and textures. A good fat cushion of thatch, he points out, can evoke in us much the same tactile responses as the back of an animal asleep.

The limerick factor, so old-fashioned, is alluring. He loved words as well as sights in English building. He pursued the Lewis Carroll names: the muffities and wivetts and tauts and cussems. He could be profoundly rude, in the style of Gilbert Harding, about things he disliked. Polished Shap granite turned him almost apoplectic, and he compared it memorably to potted meat.

Do not underrate the fact this was a very good performance. Architectural historians are rarely public figures, but in the last few years of his life almost everybody got to know Alec Clifton-Taylor through his television programmes on the English smaller towns. Embedded in *The Pattern of English Building*, like the nun bricked up in the walls of her own convent, you can see the television personality waiting to break out. The slightly shambling gait; the shining enthusiasm; the sense of authenticity. Male shynesses. Male crustiness. Alec Clifton-Taylor was the nation's dream pedagogue, the public-school master many people never had.

NEW HARDBACKS

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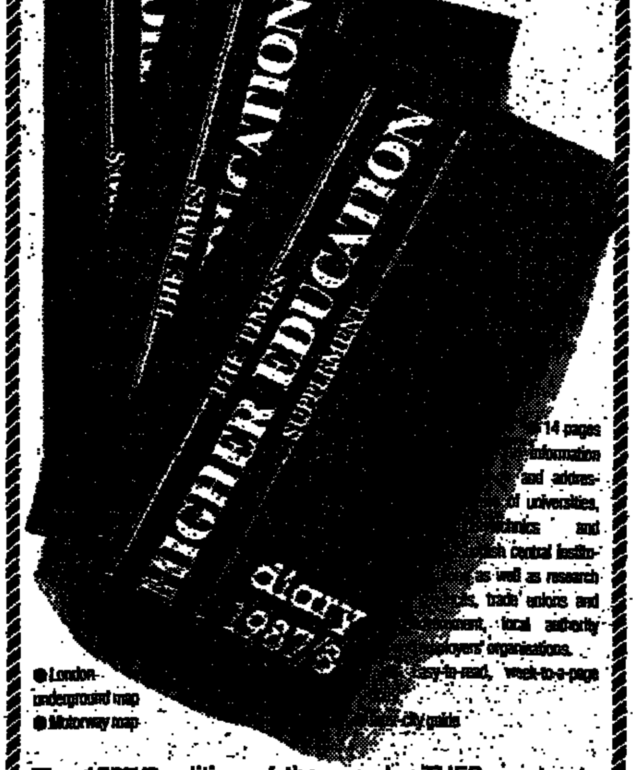

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BOOKING KEY
☆ Seats available
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THEATRE

LONDON

☆ **AN INSPECTOR CALLS:** Tom Baker and Pauline Jameson in Priestley's evergreen about guilts among the gentry.
Westminster Theatre, Palace Street, SW1 (01-834 0283). Tube: Victoria. Tues-Fri 7.45-10.15pm, Sat 8.15-10.45pm, mats Wed and Thurs 2.30-5pm, Sat 5-7.30pm, £5-£11.50.

☆ **BREAKING THE CODE:** Hugh Whitemore's acclaimed drama about Alan Turing, the homosexual computer genius, with John Castle in the leading role.
Comedy Theatre, Panton Street, SW1 (01-930 2578). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Sat 8-10.30pm, £4-£13.50.

☆ ***BRIGHTON BEACH MEMOIRS:*** Neil Simon's vivid recollection of a Brooklyn childhood. Waves of emotion. Julie Covington joins the cast in an NT transfer.
Aldwych Theatre, Aldwych, WC2 (01-836 6404, cc 01-379 6233). Tube: Holborn. Mon-Fri 7.30-9.45pm, Sat 8.30-10.45pm, mat Wed 3-5.15pm and Sat 5-7.15pm, £4.50-£13.50.

☆ **THE CANTERBURY TALES:** Michael Bogdanov's cheerfully bawdy version of bawdily cheerful Chaucer.
Prince of Wales Theatre, Coventry Street, W1 (01-839 5987). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Sat 8.30pm, mat Sat 5.30pm. £6.50-£12.50.

☆ **COURT IN THE ACT:** Gorgeous Gabrielle Drake alarms Michael Denison and dazzles Lee Montague in this genial 1912 French farce.
Phoenix Theatre, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (01-826 2294). Tube: Tottenham Court Road. Mon-Fri 8-10.20pm, Sat 8.30-10.50pm, mats Thurs 3-5.20pm and Sat 5-7.20pm, £5-£12.50.

☆ **CORPSE:** Colin Baker and Jack Watling in twisty thriller of murder, money and identical twins.
Strand Theatre, Aldwych WC2 (01-836 2660). Tube: Aldwych/Charing Cross. Mon-Sat 8-10.10pm, mats Wed 3-5.10pm and Sat 5-7.10pm, £3.50-£13.50.

☆ **FOLLIES:** Sondheim's musical, in London at last, has Diana Rigg and Julia McKenzie leading a starry cast.
Shaftesbury Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue WC2 (01-379 5399). Tube: Holborn/Tottenham Court Road. Mon-Sat 7.45-10.15pm, mats Wed and Sat 3-5.30pm, £10-£20.

☆ **KISS ME KATE:** After its national tour the RSC production opens in town with Paul Jones and Nichola McAuliffe.
Old Vic Theatre, Waterloo Road, SE1 (01-928 7616). Tube: Waterloo. 7.30-10.30pm. £8-£17.50.

☆ **LET US GO THEN, YOU AND I:** A celebration of the life and poetry of T S Eliot, with Eileen Atkins, Edward Fox and Michael Gough. Extended until August 1.
Lyric Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (01-437 3686). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Fri 8-10pm. Sat 8 30-10 30pm. mat Sat 5-7pm. £3.50-£11.50

☆ **MELON:** New Simon Gray play stars Alan Bates as a glittering publisher imploding with sexual jealousy.
Haymarket Theatre, Haymarket, SW1 (01-930 9832). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Sat 8-10.30pm. mat Sat 3-5.30pm. £4-£14.50.

☆ **MYSTERY OF THE ROSE BOUQUET:** World premiere of a play by Manuel Puig, author of *Kiss of The Spider Woman*. Brenda Bruce and Gemma Jones as strangers who meet in a private clinic in South America.
Donmar Warehouse, Earlham Street, WC2 (01-240 8230). Tube: Covent Garden. Mon-Sat 8pm, mat Sat 5pm. Press night Friday July 24th 7pm, £5-£9.

☆ **PUBLIC ENEMY:** The promising new Renaissance Theatre Company opens with Kenneth Branagh playing the lead in his own drama about modern gangsters.
Lyric Theatre, King Street, W6 (01-741 2311). Tube: Hammersmith. Mon-Sat 7.45-10pm, mats Wed 2.30-4.45pm and Sat 4-6.15pm, £5-£10.

☆ **ROSENCRANTZ AND GUILDENSTERN ARE DEAD:** TV's Oblivion Boys play R and G, with Lionel Blair as the Player King. A Nottingham Playhouse production.
Piccadilly Theatre, Denman Street W1 (01-437 4506). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Sat 8-10pm, mats Tues 3-5pm and Sat 4-6pm, £5-£13.50.

☆ **SAMMY CAHN:** American songwriter and entertainer sings and entertains.
Duke Of York's Theatre, St Martin's Lane WC2 (01-836 5122). Tube: Leicester Square. Tue-Sun 8-10pm, mats Sat and Sun 5-7pm, £7-£12.50.

☆ **SERIOUS MONEY:** Caryl Churchill's searing musical play about the Big Bang transfers after a sell-out run at the Royal Court.
Wyndhams Theatre, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (01-836 3028). Tube: Leicester Square. Mon-Thurs 8-10.30pm, Fri and Sat 8.15-10.45pm, mats Fri 5-7.30pm and Sat 4-6.30pm, £5-£13.50.

☆ **THREE MEN ON A HORSE:** Marvellously funny and friendly betting comedy; Geoffrey Hutchings and company joined by Toyah Wilcox for this National Theatre transfer.
Vaudeville Theatre, Strand, WC2 (01-836 9988). Previews Mon-Fri 8-10.15pm, Sat 8.30-10.45pm, mats Wed 3-5.15pm and Sat 5-7.15pm, £4-£11.50.

☆ **UP ON THE ROOF:** Three steps down Memory Lane, 1975, 1980, 1985, as five students learn the ups, downs and cop-outs of adult life. Clever performances.
Apollo Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue W1 (01-437 2663). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Thurs 8-10.45pm, Fri and Sat 8.30-11.15pm, mats Fri and Sat 5-7.45pm, £4-£12.50.

☆ **WHEN I WAS A GIRL I USED TO SCREAM AND SHOUT:** Dawn French and Sharon Duce as two adolescent girls eagerly entering the remarkable world of Scottish sex. Generally successful transfer from the Bush.
Whitehall Theatre, Whitehall, SW1 (01-930 7765, cc 01-379 6565). Tube. Charing Cross/Embankment. Mon-Thurs 8-10pm, Fri and Sat 8.45-10.45pm, mats Fri and Sat 6-8pm, £7.50-£13.50.

TOP CLASSICAL COMPACT DISCS

1	(1)	Maria Callas: The Collection	Stylus
2	(-)	Beethoven: Symphony 9, BPO/Karajan	Galleria/DG
3	(4)	Holst: The Planets, VPO/Karajan	Ovation/Decca
4	(9)	Rachmaninov: Piano Concerto 2, Ashkenazy/LSO/Pravin	Ovation/Decca
5	(-)	Strauss: An Evening of Strauss, LSO/Geordiadis	IMP Classics
6	(-)	Beethoven: Symphony 6, BPO/Karajan	Galleria/DG
7	(-)	Beethoven: Symphony 3, BPO/Karajan	Galleria/DG
8	(-)	Elgar: Pomp and Circumstances, CSO/Solti	Ovation/Decca
9	(19)	Mozart: Clarinet Concerto, BPO/Karajan	EMI Studio
10	(10)	Holst: The Planets, BPO/Karajan	Deutsche Grammophon
11	(-)	Vivaldi: The Four Seasons, AAM/Hogwood	Decca
12	(5)	Gershwin: Rhapsody in Blue, NOMC/de Waart	Philips
13	(3)	Holst: The Planets, MSO/Dutoit	Decca
14	(12)	Mozart: Symphonies 40, 41 & 35, BPO/Karajan	EMI Studio
15	(6)	Chopin: Piano Concerto 1, Pollini/PO/Kletzki	EMI Studio
16	(18)	Handel: Music For The Royal Fireworks, ECO/Leppard	Philips
17	(-)	Luciano Pavarotti: The Collection	Stylus
18	(2)	Sibelius: Symphony 1, BPO/Karajan	EMI Studio
19	(16)	Beethoven: Symphonies 5 & 6, BPO/Karajan	DG
20	(-)	Beethoven: Violin Sonatas, Zuckermann/Barenboim	EMI Studio

Source: Music Week Research

LONG RUNNERS: ☆ **The Business Of Murder:** Mayfair Theatre (01-629 3036). . . ★ **Cats:** New London Theatre (01-405 0072, cc 01-404 4079). . . ☆ **Chess:** Prince Edward Theatre (01-734 8951). . . ☆ **42nd Street:** Drury Lane Theatre Royal (01-836 8108/9/0). . . ☆ **Les Liaisons Dangereuses:** Ambassadors Theatre (01-836 6111, cc 01-836 1171. . . ☆ **Me And My Girl:** Adelphi Theatre (01-240 7913/4) . . . ★ **Les Misérables:** Palace Theatre (01-434 0909). . . ☆ **The Mousetrap:** St Martin's Theatre (01-836 1443). . ☆ **No Sex Please, We're British:** Duchess Theatre (01-836 8243). . . ★ **Phantom Of The Opera:** Her Majesty's Theatre (01-839 2244). . . ☆ **Run For Your Wife:** Criterion Theatre (01-930 3216) . . . ☆ **Starlight Express:** Apollo Victoria Theatre (01-828 8665).

OUT OF TOWN

CHICHESTER: ☆ **Miranda:** Penelope Keith in another of her imperious woman roles, doing battle with developers.
***Festival Theatre,** Chichester (0243 781312), tonight 7.30pm, £5.75-£11.50.*

STRATFORD: ☆ **The Merchant of Venice:** Bill Alexander's new production with Antony Sher as Shylock and Deborah Findlay as Portia.
Royal Shakespeare Theatre, Stratford-upon-Avon (0789 295623), tonight and tomorrow 7.30-10pm, £5-£15.50

STRATFORD: ☆ **Titus Andronicus:** aka People Pie. Shakespeare's bloodiest play: Elizabethan audiences loved it. With Brian Cox in fine voice.
Swan Theatre, Stratford-upon-Avon (0789 295623), tonight and tomorrow 7.30pm. £7.50-£13.

STRATFORD: ☆ **Temptation:** Latest sharp comedy by Vaclav Havel, Czech dramatist banned in his own country.
The Other Place, Stratford-upon-Avon (0789 295623), tonight and tomorrow 7.30-10.30pm, £6.50.

This is the Prom season that shows off the four British pianists who have each taken top prize in that most gruelling of musical contests, the International Tchaikovsky Competition in Moscow. Our most recent winner, Barry Douglas (above), plays at the Royal Albert Hall tonight and performs the piece that sealed his Russian triumph last summer: Tchaikovsky's First Piano Concerto. Belfast-born Douglas, 27, was tipped for the top long before Moscow. His 1985 performance of Liszt's Second Concerto at the Albert Hall (just across the road from the Royal College of Music where he studied) was one of the more remarkable Prom debuts of recent years. Since his win he has toured three continents, but has avoided being typecast as a "Tchaikovsky man", so there is special interest in his return to the old warhorse tonight. Conducting the BBC Symphony Orchestra in this, and later in Stravinsky's *Rite of Spring*, will be a Prom newcomer, Gianluigi Gelmetti. Artistic director of the RAI Orchestra – Italy's equivalent to the BBC's SO – and also of Rome Opera, he achieved wider fame two years ago when he conducted the Berlin Philharmonic in the first performance of Henze's Seventh Symphony. ***Richard Morrison***

FILMS

■ **Also on national release**
⌂ **Advance booking possible**

■ **AN AMERICAN TAIL (U):** The adventures of an immigrant mouse in New York, relayed in sturdy, old-fashioned animation by former Disney artist Don Bluth. The story, though, springs no surprises (81 min).
Cannon Bayswater (01-229 4149). Progs 1.15, 3.30, 5.45.
Cannon Edgware Road (01-723 5901). Progs 2.15, 4.20, 6.25, 8.30.
Cannon Fulham Road (01-370 2636). Progs 2.00, 4.10, 6.15, 9.00.
Cannon Oxford Street (01-636 0310). Progs 1.15, 2.55, 4.50, 6.45, 8.40.
⌂ **Plaza** (01-437 1234). Progs 1.00, 3.00, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00.

■ **CHILDREN OF A LESSER GOD (15):** Polished version of the Broadway play, with William Hurt as the teacher of deaf adolescents emotionally involved with a former pupil (Marlee Matlin) (113 min).
⌂ **Empire Leicester Square** (01-200 0200). Progs 1.00, 3.30, 6.00, 8.30.

CHRONICLE OF A DEATH FORETOLD (15): Rupert Everett plays a languid mystery man, newly arrived in a tropical village, whose marriage to a local beauty sets off a vengeful murder. Based on the novel by Gabriel Garcia Marquez (104 min).
Gate Notting Hill (01-727 4043). Progs 2.30, 4.30, 6.40, 9.00.
⌂ **Lumière** (01-836 0691). Progs 1.50, 4.05, 6.25, 8.50.

DONA HERLINDA AND HER SON (15): Dona Herlinda plans her son's marriage, undaunted by his homosexuality. Spicy and good-humoured comedy of manners from Mexico's Jamie Humberto Hermosillo (91 min).
Cannon Piccadilly (01-437 3561). Progs 2.20, 4.25, 6.30, 8.35.

A GREAT WALL (PG): Engaging look at clashing life styles, with director Peter Wang as the Chinese-American computer executive visiting Peking with his family (102 min).
⌂ **Screen On The Hill** (01-435 3366). Progs 2.40, 4.40, 7.00, 9.00.
Cannon Tottenham Court Road (01-636 6148). Progs 1.30, 3.45, 6.00, 8.20.

■ **THE LIVING DAYLIGHTS (PG):** Timothy Dalton follows in distinguished footsteps when he assumes the mantle of James Bond. A globe-trotting plot of East-West intrigue, embracing Gibraltar, Vienna, Tangier and Afghanistan. John Glen directs his fourth Bond film in a row (130 min).
⌂ **Odeon Leicester Square** (01-930 6111). Progs 1.30, 4.30, 7.45.
Odeon Marble Arch (01-723 2011). Progs 2.00, 5.15, 8.15.

■ **THE NAME OF THE ROSE (18):** Simplified edition of Umberto Eco's medieval murder mystery, filmed with a fine sense of atmosphere and a grotesque carnival of characters. Directed by Jean-Jacques Annaud; with Sean Connery (131 min).
⌂ **Cannon Shaftesbury Avenue** (01-836 6279). Progs 2.15, 5.30, 8.30.

NO MERCY (18): Richard Gere as an undercover cop following a colourful trail through New Orleans and the Louisiana swamps. Richard Pearce directs (108 min).
⌂ **Warner West End** (01-439-0791). Progs 1.45, 4.00, 6.20, 8.35.

■ **PLATOON (15):** Oliver Stone's intense anti-war drama which scooped four Oscars. With Willem Defoe and Tom Berenger as sergeants at loggerheads in Vietnam (120 min).
Cannon Chelsea (01-352 5096). Progs 2.00, 5.15, 8.15.
Cannon Prince Charles (01-437 8181). Progs 1.00, 3.05, 5.35, 8.05.

■ **PRICK UP YOUR EARS (18):** Joe Orton's life, loves and times. Strong performances from Gary Oldman and Alfred Molina as the playwright and lover locked into a destructive relationship (110 min).
⌂ **Curzon West End** (01-439 4805). Progs 1.00, 3.30, 6.15, 8.45.

RAISING ARIZONA (15): Crazy black comedy from the *Blood Simple* team, Joel and Ethan Coen, with Nicolas Cage and Holly Hunter as a cockeyed couple who try setting up as a family with a stolen baby (94 min).
Cannon Chelsea (01-352 5096). Progs 2.45, 6.00, 8.55.
Cannon Haymarket (01-839 1527). Progs 1.40, 3.55, 6.15, 8.35.
Cannon Tottenham Road (01-636 6148). Progs 1.50, 4.00, 6.10, 8.25.
⌂ **Screen On The Green** (01-226 3520). Progs 3.15, 5.05, 7.05, 9.05.

SUPERMAN IV (PG): Superman - now flying under new management (Cannon Films) - tries to rid the world of nuclear weapons. Lex Luther does his utmost to prevent him. Juvenile stuff, with the old acting team - Christopher Reeve, Gene Hackman, Margot Kidder, Jackie Gleason - and a director new to the series, Sidney J Furie (87 min).
Warner West End (01-439 0791). Progs 12.40, 2.40, 4.45, 6.50, 8.50.
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Cannon Haymarket (01-839 1527). Progs 12.45, 2.45, 4.45, 6.50, 8.55.

WHITE OF THE EYE (18): A thriller piled high with red herrings and stylistic trickery. David Keith plays the husband suspected of many murders (111 min).
Cannon Premiere (01-439 4470). Progs 1.10, 3.25, 5.40, 7.55, 10.10.

A complete set of late 19th century Taddy cards collected by Lieutenant-Colonel Vincent D'Oyly Harmer goes under the hammer at Phillips' cigarette card auction today. The clown shown here is one of a set of 20 clowns and circus artistes which is expected to sell for around £6,000. The set is widely considered to be one of the rarest of its kind – the series was discontinued in 1920 when the small Taddy firm closed. Blenstock House, 7 Blenheim St, W1. (01 629 6602). 9am-11am. Free.

CONCERTS

☆ **HOSKIN/HANCOCK:** Finzi's *I Said to Love* and *Let Us Garlands Bring*, Britten's *Tit for Tat* are sung by Niall Hoskin, baritone. He also gives the London première of Paul Hancock's *o very most my shining love* (settings of e.e. cummings, of course). Hancock accompanies throughout.
British Music Information Centre, 10 Stratford Place, London W1 (01-499 8567). 7.30pm. free.

☆ **SIMMS/SEOW:** Phillip Simms conducts the Chamber Orchestra of London in Mozart's *Eine Kleine Nachtmusik* K 525 and Yitkin Seow solos in the Piano Concerto K 467. In Vivaldi's *Seasons* the violinist is John Bradbury.
Barbican Centre, Silk St. London EC2 (01-628 8795, cc 01-638 8891). 7.45-9.45pm, £5.50-£12.50.

☆ **WARD NO OBJECT:** Ward's *No Object Dearer*, Campion's *All Lookes be Pale*, Copriario's *Songs of Mourning*, Ward's *Weep forth your Tears* are performed by the Consort of Musicke at this late-night Prom.
St Paul's, Wilton Place, Knightsbridge, London SW1 (01-589 8212, cc 01-589 9465). 10pm, £4.50.

OPERA

★ **THE QUEEN OF SPADES:** Opening opera in the Kirov's short season at Covent Garden: Yuri Temirkanov produces and conducts a cast led by Larissa Shevchenko and Alexei Steblyanko.
Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London WC2 (01-240 1066), 7-10pm, £3-£48.

☆ **RAVEL DOUBLE BILL:** Frank Corsaro's delightful new productions of *L'Heure Espagnole* and *L'Enfant et les Sortilèges*, both designed by Maurice Sendak and conducted by Simon Rattle.
Glyndebourne, Lewes, East Sussex (0273-541111), 6.30-9.45pm, £25-£50.

☆ **DON QUIXOTE IN SIERRA MORENA:** The Buxton Festival's Spanish theme zooms in on an 18th century rarity by Francesco Conti, and offers the work's first professional staging in Britain.
Opera House, Buxton, Derbyshire (0298 71010), 7.45-9.45pm, £6-£20.

ROCK

★ **U2:** The biggest group that we'll see in the Eighties continues its regal European progress.
SECC, Finnieston Street, Glasgow (041 248 3000) 7pm, £9-£10.

☆ **HEAD:** Riotous musical assembly from the Bristol band whose album *A Snog On The Rocks* has to be one of the most refreshing and amusing rock releases this year. Punk, folk, Def Jam, rock'n'roll and beyond.
Venue, 15 Calton Road, Edinburgh (031 557 3073) 8pm, £2.50

☆ **RICHARD THOMPSON:** After high hopes of a breakthrough in America failed to materialize last year, the consummate folk-rock guitarist left Polydor, and is currently negotiating a new recording contract.
Mean Fiddler, 28a Harlesden High Street, London NW10 (01-961 5490) 8pm, £5.

JAZZ

☆ **RUBY BRAFF/DIGBY FAIRWEATHER:** Braff's cornet, unmatched in lyrical beauty, meets Scott Hamilton's tenor saxophone in a mainstream quintet. They begin at 9.30pm: Fairweather, a younger, British edition of Braff, plays the early set, from 6.15-8.45pm.
Pizza Express, 10 Dean Street, London W1 (01-439 8722), 9.30pm, £8.50.

☆ **ARCHIE SHEPP:** The angry young saxophonist of the Sixties nowadays opts for the calmer waters of a post-bop quartet.
Ronnie Scott's Club, 47 Frith Street, London W1 (01-439 0747), 9.30pm, £8 (£2 members).

☆ **ROADSIDE PICNIC:** New jazz-rock quartet featuring the talented young saxphonist David O'Higgins.
Bass Clef, 35 Coronet Street, London N1 (01-729 2476). 8.45pm, £3.50.

DANCE

☆ **COPPELIA:** Rudolf Nureyev, Lucia Truglia and Alexander Grant lead the cast in London Festival Ballet's production.
Royal Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1, (01-928 3191), 7.30-9.45pm, £4.50-£15.

☆ **SWAN LAKE ACT II:** Advanced students and recent graduates of the Bolshoi Ballet School in Moscow give this and other showpieces.
Coliseum, St Martin's Lane, London WC2 (01 836 3161), 7.30-10.15pm, £5-£22.50.

GALLERIES

THE ARTIST AS EVACUEE: Paintings done in the Lake District by Royal College tutors during the institution's war-time transfer to Ambleside.
The Wordsworth Trust, Dove Cottage, Grasmere, Cumbria (09665 544), daily 9.30-5.30pm, £1.25, until September 1.

219th SUMMER EXHIBITION: 1,300 works by artists ranging from David Hockney to complete unknowns like Arthur George Carrick (aka Prince Charles), who is represented by a landscape watercolour.
Royal Academy of Arts, Piccadilly, London W1 (01-734 9052), daily 10-6pm, £2.50, until August 23.

MARK ROTHKO: First full retrospective in this country for the American artist whose brooding abstract pictures have in their time made audiences weep with emotion.
Tate Gallery, Millbank, London SW1 (01-821 7128), Mon-Sat 10-5.50pm, Sun 2-5.50pm, £2.50, until August 31.

BARRY FLANAGAN: Only British showing for this retrospective covering the last 20 years, from the Minimalist stacked blankets of the 1960s to more recent bronze hares.
Laing Art Gallery, Higham Place, Newcastle upon Tyne (091-232 7734), Mon-Fri 10-5.30pm, Sat 10-4.30pm, Sun 2.30-5.30pm, free, until August 5.

STANLEY SPENCER: Paintings, documents and memorabilia shown in the village where Spencer was born and where many of his apocalyptic religious paintings are set.
Stanley Spencer Gallery, King's Hall, Cookham-on-Thames, Berkshire (06285 20043), Mon-Fri 10.30-1pm and 2-6pm, 50p, until October.

SUSIE COOPER: A selection from sixty years' work by an outstanding British ceramic designer.
Victoria and Albert Museum, Exhibition Road, London SW7 (01-589 6371), Mon-Sat 10-5.30pm (closed Friday), Sun 2-5.50pm, free, until September 6.

EILEEN AGAR: Retrospective of work by the 84-year-old British surrealist who exhibited at the great 1936 International Surrealist Show in London.
Birch & Conran, 40 Dean Street, London W1 (01-434 1246), Mon-Fri 11-6pm, free, until August 7.

WALKS

INTERIOR MYSTERIES OF THE TEMPLE: meet Temple tube, 11am, £2.50.

THE HIDDEN WORLD OF OLIVER TWIST: *meet Russell Square tube,* 2pm, £2.50.

DICKENS'S HAUNTED LONDON AT NIGHT: meet Russell Square tube, 8pm, £2.50.

BEST OF BRITISH PUBS NIGHT: meet Bond Street tube, 7.30pm, £2.50.

HISTORICAL PUB WALK – LAWYERS LONDON: *meet* Blackfriars tube, 7pm, £2.50.

INNS OF COURT – LAWYERS LONDON: meet Blackfriars tube, *11am, £2.25.*

VISIT TO THE BRITISH MUSEUM: meet main steps of museum, 2pm, £2.25.

LIVING SHAKESPEARE: meet Clerkenwell Heritage Centre, 6pm, £5.

OTHER EVENTS

CHELSEA DESIGN FAIR: Organized to promote new designers from all over the country, including this year's graduating students from the London Design Colleges. The work of some 50 young designers is on view and for sale and includes furniture, jewellery, ceramics, screens, knitwear and clothing. Cafe and bar open throughout.
Chelsea Old Town Hall, King's Road, London SW3. Today until August 1, 11am-7pm, admission 50p.

AN EVENING FOR WANYIRI KIHORO: To mark the first *anniversary of the arrest and* detention of Wanyiri Kihoro and to launch a legal fund in his aid. Speakers *include* Lord Gifford, QC, members of Amnesty International, Kenyan authors and artists and former colleagues. Also poetry, music and songs.
Africa Centre, 38 King Street, London, WC2 (01-836-1973), 6.30pm, free.

MAYOR OF EASTBOURNE'S CELEBRITY GOLF TOURNAMENT: Many personalities from the worlds of sport and show business are expected to play with the professionals. The former include Dan Maskell, David Lloyd, Martin Peters, *John Snow and* Josh Gifford. Actors and entertainers include Eric Sykes, Robert Powell, Gareth Hunt, James Bolam, Rick Wakeman and Tim Brooke-Taylor. All proceeds to SPARKS – Sportsmen Pledged to Aid Research Into Crippling.
Royal Eastbourne Golf Club, Eastbourne, East Sussex. Throughout the day. Play begins 8am, first celebrity match 9.20am. Spectators free.

A PINCH OF SNUFF: Last few days in which to see a fascinating, small exhibition which traces the history of this once-fashionable habit. Snuff boxes, curiosities, pictures, ephemera and mementoes taken from a local private collection.
Church Farm House Museum, Greyhound Hill, Hendon. Until August 2. Today until Saturday, 10am-1pm, 2-5pm. Sunday 2-5.30 pm, free.

BROCKHOLE EVENTS: The Waytes from the Isles of Scilly play early musical instruments at 11.30am, 2pm. Illustrated talks about Lakeland at 1.30pm and 3.30pm and a Troutbeck Trot – an easy one-hour *scenic jog at* 2.15pm.
Lakeland Visitors Centre, Brockhole, Windermere, Cumbria (09662-6601), adult £1.20, child (5-17yrs) 60p, under fives free.

BOOKINGS

FIRST CHANCE

NATIONAL YOUTH THEATRE: London summer season includes *Murder in the Cathedral, Troilus and Cressida,* Brian Friel's *Freedom of the City, Romeo and Juliet,* and Christopher Short's new play *The Dream Ticket.* Also Shakespeare and the Supernatural workshop and *Romeo and Juliet* in Spanish, by Spanish Youth Theatre from Valencia. Aug 13-Oct 2.
Box Offices: Christ Church, Spitalfields, 34 York Way, London N1 (01-242 7040); Shaw Theatre, 100 Euston Road, London NW1 (01-388 1394); Jeanette Cochrane Theatre, Southampton Row, London WC1 (01-242 7040).

MARIE: THE STORY OF MARIE LLOYD: New one-woman show about British Music Hall star, by Steve Trafford, performed by Elizabeth Mansfield, arrives at Edinburgh Festival. Aug 10-22.
Herriot Watt Theatre, Venue 7 (031-229 3574).

WORCESTER SWAN SEASON: Booking for autumn/winter, including *Our Day Out, Pravda, The Man of Mode, Animal Farm, The Idiot* and *The Adventures of Sinbad.* Aug-Jan.
Swan Theatre, The Moors, Worcester (0905-27322).

LAST CHANCE

VLADIMIR ASHKENAZY: Exhibition celebrating life and career of pianist/conductor on his 50th birthday. Ends today.
Barbican, Silk Street, London EC2 (01-638 4141).

THE ARTS OF THE COMMONWEALTH: Exhibition of recently published books on painting, sculpture, architecture, music, dance, theatre, cinema and crafts from different Commonwealth countries. Until Sunday.
Commonwealth Institute, Kensington High Street, London W8 (01-603 4535).

CONVERSATIONS: Paintings and sculptures brought together in pairs and small groups to focus on similarities and differences in approaches; work by John Bratby, Edward Burra, Gwen John, Ken Kiff and William Nicholson. Ends Sunday at Sudbury before continuing Arts Council tour.
Gainsborough's House, Sudbury (0787-72958).

MERCE CUNNINGHAM DANCE COMPANY: Last few days, with final programme including British premiere of *Arcade* (Cage/Bradshaw); plus *Quartet* (Tudor/Lancaster) and *Pictures* (Behrman/Lancaster).
Sadler's Wells, Rosebery Avenue, London EC1 (01-278 8916).

Theatre: Jeremy Kingston; **Films:** Geoff Brown; **Concerts:** Max Harrison; **Opera:** Hilary Finch; **Rock:** David Sinclair; **Jazz:** Richard Williams; **Dance:** John Percival; **Galleries:** David Lee; **Walks and Talks:** Greta Carslaw; **Other Events:** Judy Froshaug; **Bookings:** Anne Whitehouse.

ENTERTAINMENTS

CONCERTS

BARBICAN HALL 628 8795/638 8891. Ton't 7.45 CHAMBER ORCHESTRA OF LONDON inc. works by Handel, Mozart, Vivaldi

OPERA & BALLET

Royal Festival Hall 928 3191 CC 928 8800. Until Aug 15 Eves 7.30pm, Sat mats 3.00pm. LONDON FESTIVAL BALLET. COPPELIA (Hynd's) Ton't. Thurs: Truglia/ Nureyev/ Grant. Good seats available.

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE 240 1066/1911. Stdby info 836 6903 S CC. 65 amphi seats avail on the day (Ex. 5 Aug).

THE KIROV OPERA Ton't at 7.00 The Queen of Spades. 1, 3 Aug at 7.30. 2 Aug at 5.00 Eugene Onegin. (Gala Perf) 5 Aug at 7.00. 6, 7, 8, Aug at 6.30 Boris Godunov. Approx Finish Times: The Queen of Spades 10.55. Eugene Onegin 10.55. 2 Aug 8.25. Boris Godunov 10.35. (5 Aug 11.05).

THE BIG TOP Battersea Park. SW11. 240 1066 / 1911. CC. Tickets on the day avail at The Big Top 1hr before perf or from the Royal Opera House up to 2½hrs before perf.

THE ROYAL BALLET Ton't 7.30 La Fille mal gardee. Tomor 7.30. Sat 2.30 & 7.30 The Dream/New Page Ballet / Elite Syncopations. Tickets (Eves) £2-£14. (Mats) £2 & £6

SADLER'S WELLS 278 8916 First Call CC 24hr 7 day 240 7200 (Bkg fee). Eves 7 30 Until August 1 MERCE CUNNINGHAM DANCE COMPANY. Ton't Signals / Channels-Inserts / Grange Eve.

THEATRES

ADELPHI 836 7611 or 240 7913/4 CC 741 9999/ 836 7358/ 379 4444 Grp Sales 930 6123 First Call 24hr cc 240 7200 (no bkg fee) NOW BOOKING TO APRIL 2 ME AND MY GIRL THE LAMBETH WALK MUSICAL Nightly at 7 30 Mats Wed at 2.30 & Sat 4 30 & 8.00 "THE HAPPIEST SHOW IN TOWN" S Express THEATRE AIR CONDITIONED

ALBERY 836 3878 CC 379 6565/4444 Open All Hrs no bkg fee/240 7200/741 9999 bkg fee Grps 836 3962 Eves 8, Mats Thu & Sat 3 An ALL STAR CAST in 'A MAGNIFICENT PRODUCTION OF A MAGNIFICENT PLAY' S Tel THREE SISTERS "Elijah Moshinsky's production has a star performance by Francesca Annis which must be seen. Sara Kestelman, Hywel Bennett are excellent" S. Times "This is the best evening of theatre in town at the moment" LBC ONLY 5 MORE WEEKS!

ALDWYCH 01 836 6404/0641 cc 01 379 6233 01 741 9999 JULIE COVINGTON SUSAN ENGEL HARRY TOWB in NEIL SIMONS BRIGHTON BEACH MEMOIRS Directed by MICHAEL RUDMAN A National Theatre Production "Humour at its best, a rich and loving production" Daily Mail "A beautifully shaped family comedy" Times " It will run for a long time" Time Out Eves Mon - Fri 7.30 Mats Weds 3.0 Sats 5.00 & 8.30 First Call 24 hr 7 day cc 01 240 7200 (no bkg fee) Open All Hours 379 4444 (no bkg fee) Grp Sales 01 930 6123. OVER 300 PERFORMANCES NOW BOOKING UNTIL OCTOBER

AMBASSADORS 01-836 6111/2 cc 836 1171. First Call (24 hrs/7 days) 240 7200 (bkg fee). Eves 7.30. Wed mat 3. Sat 4 & 8 Royal Shakespeare Company's LES LIAISONS DANGEREUSES Winner 4 "BEST PLAY" awards NOW BOOKING TO END SEPT!

APOLLO 437 2663 cc 434 3598 1st Call 240 7200 (no bkg fee) 741 9999/379 4444 (bkg fee) "Memories are made of this" T Out UP ON THE ROOF "This thoroughly delightful, unpretentious and refreshing piece of theatre" D Mail Mon-Thurs 8 Fri & Sat 5 & 8.30

APOLLO VICTORIA SS 828 8665 CC 630 6262 Party Bkgs 828 6188 First Call CC (24hr) 240 7200 CC OPEN ALL HOURS 379 4444 Grp Sales 930 6123 Tkts from WH Smith Travel Branches. Eves 7 45 Mats Tue & Sat 3.0 "A MUSICAL THAT SURPASSES ANYTHING AROUND IN EVERY DIMENSION" D.Exp STARLIGHT EXPRESS Music by ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER Lyrics by RICHARD STILGOE Directed by TREVOR NUNN SOME SEATS AVAIL THIS WEEK Special concessions at £5 on Tues mats for OAP's NOW BOOKING TO MARCH 88

BARBICAN 01 628 8795/ 638 8891 cc (Mon-Sun 10am-8pm) ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY BARBICAN THEATRE ton't 7.30 & until 1 Aug. ROMEO & JULIET. THE BALCONY by Jean Genet rtns 3 Aug. A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM from 13 Aug. THE PIT today 2 00 & 7.30. & until 1 Aug. FLIGHT by David Lan THE STORM by Alexander Ostrovsky rtns 3 Aug. THE ART OF SUCCESS by Nick Dear from 13 Aug.

BOULEVARD, Walker Court, Brewer St. W1 437 2661 cc 741 9999 THE KING'S HEAD THEATRE production of DIARY OF A SOMEBODY Joe Orton's Diaries Dramatised by John Lahr Mon-Sat 7 30 Fri & Sat Late Night 10 30 Prevs from 4 Aug Opens 10 Aug

CHICHESTER FESTIVAL THEATRE 0243 781312 A MAN FOR ALL SEASONS "Magnificent" Mail on S. MIRANDA 7.30 Mat Thu & Sat 2.30

COMEDY THEATRE Box Office 01-930 2578/8778 CC 839 1438 1st Call 24/hour/7 day CC bkgs 240 7200. Open All Hours 379 4444. CC 741 9999 Eves 8.0. Mat Tues 3.00, Sats 5.0 & 8.15. JOHN CASTLE 'a performance of inner strength and integrity' (Times) in HUGH WHITEMORE'S 'surprising, intelligent and touching play' (City Lis) BREAKING THE CODE Dir. CLIFFORD WILLIAMS 'ONE OF THE BEST THEATRICAL EVENTS CURRENTLY IN LONDON (What's On) Over 300 performances

COTTESLOE 'S' Box Office 928 2252 CC/240 7200 24 hr 7 day Agency CC Bkg fee (National Theatre's small auditorium) Today & Tue 2.30 & 7.30, Mon 7.30 YERMA by Lorca, new version by Peter Luke. Tomor 7 30, Sat 2.30 & 7.30 MEAN TEARS. Wed 7.30 ROSMERSHOLM

CRITERION Air Cond. S 930 3216 CC 379 6565/ 379 4444/741 9999. Groups 836 3962. Eves 8, Thur mat 2 30, Sat 6.30 & 8.30 "BRITISH FARCE AT ITS BEST" D Mail The Theatre of Comedy Company ROBIN ASKWITH GEOFFREY HUGHES BILL PERTWEE JACKI PIPER VIVIENNE LABONE PAUL DARROW ROGER KITTER RUN FOR YOUR WIFE! Written and directed by RAY COONEY Over 1,800 side-splitting perfs "SHOULD RUN FOR LIFE" S. Ex

DOMINION THEATRE 580 8845 580 9562. Tel CC bkgs FIRST CALL 24hr 7 day on 836 2428 NO BOOKING FEE CC 741 9999 (no bkg fee) OPEN ALL HOURS 379 4444 (no bkg fee) Grp Sales 930 6123 DAVE CLARK'S TIME THE ULTIMATE EXPERIENCE DAVID CASSIDY AS 'THE ROCK STAR' THE PORTRAYAL OF 'AKASH' BY LAURENCE OLIVIER Mon-Thu 7.30 Fri 8.15 Sat 4 & 8 15 SPECIAL CONCESSIONS at £7 all perfs except Fri & Sat eves for OAP's, UB40's, students & under 16's avail from 3pm (Sat - noon) SEATS AVAIL FOR PERF TON'T NOW BOOKING TO APRIL '88

DUCHESS S 836 8243 CC 240 9648 CC 24 hr/7 day 240 7200/ 379 4444 Eves 8 Wed mat 3. Sat 5 & 8 NO SEX, PLEASE WE'RE BRITISH LAST 6 WEEKS of World Record Breaking Comedy.

DUKE OF YORK'S 836 5122 cc 836 9837 24hrs CC 240 7200 379 4444 741 9999 A LEGEND RETURNS SAMMY CAHN WORDS AND MUSIC "Hoarse cheers, bravos and standing ovations!" San Francisco Chronicle. Tue-Sat 8, Sun 5 & 8.

DRURY LANE THEATRE ROYAL Box Office & CC 01-836 8108. 01-240 9066/7. First Call 24hr 7 day cc bkgs on 01 240 7200 (no bkg fee). Open All Hours 01 379 4444 (no bkg fee) David Merrick's 42ND STREET A SHOW FOR ALL THE FAMILY Winner of all the best Musical Awards for 1984 voted BEST MUSICAL STANDARD DRAMA AWARDS voted BEST MUSICAL LAURENCE OLIVIER AWARD voted BEST MUSICAL PLAYS & PLAYERS LONDON THEATRE CRITICS AWARD Evgs 8.0 Mats Wed 3.0, Sat 5.0 & 8.30 Reduced price mat Weds. Students and OAP's standby. Group Sales 930 6123 BOOKING NOW UNTIL 1988

FORTUNE THEATRE 836 2238 cc 741 9999 Evgs Mon-Fri 8pm Sat 8.30 Mat Thurs/Sat 3pm NUNSENSE THE FUNNY NUNNY MUSICAL "It will run for years" D Tel "Wacky & Totally Entertaining" ILR "Roaring Success... Irresistible...Perfect Taste" Stage 'A Great Big Embrace of Fun... Terrific Performances' BBC Bkg Fee 1st Call 240 7200 Open All Hours 379 4444 Grp Sales 930 6123 Over 100 Perfs Now Bkg to Sept

GARRICK 379 6107 cc 379 4444 (24hr no bkg fee), 741 9999 (no bkg fee) 240 7200 (bkg fee) WILLIAM GAUNT SUSIE BLAKE MICHAEL SHARVELL-MARTIN WHEN DID YOU LAST SEE YOUR...TROUSERS? by Ray Galton & John Antrobus Based on a story by Galton & Simpson "Audience collapsed with laughter" Ind "Inspired lunacy" Std Directed by Roger Smith Eves 8. Mats Tues 3. Sat 5 OVER 100 PERFS! THE NEW HIT COMEDY. BOOKING TO CHRISTMAS

GLOBE 437 3667 cc 741 9999 24hr cc 240 7200 379 4444 Eves 8 Mats Wed 3 Sat 4.30 AN ALL STAR CAST LIGHT UP THE SKY The Comedy by MOSS HART Directed by ELIJAH MOSHINSKY

GREENWICH THEATRE 01-858 7755. cc 01 853 3800 (no bkg fee) Evenings 7 45, Mat Sat 2.30 THE PERFECT PARTY by A.R. Gurney, Jr. "Amusingly pungent comedy" F Times "This most elegant comedy" D Tel "Cast to the hilt...Martin Jarvis is excellent" Guardian

HAMPSTEAD 722 9301 Eves 8. Sat Mats 4.30, THAT SUMMER by David Edgar "An acutely enjoyable play...fine production" Ind. "Provocative, intelligent, bristles with ideas" Gdn EXTENDED TO 15 AUG.

HAYMARKET THEATRE ROYAL Box Office & cc 01-930 9832 ALAN BATES "AS SPELLBINDING AS EVER" Times."A DAZZLING PIECE OF ACTING" Gdn. in MELON by SIMON GRAY "DEEPLY ADULT PLAY... TRAGICOMIC IN THE TRUE SENSE OF THE WORD" Sunday Times "BY TURNS SAVAGE AND HILARIOUS. DISTURBING, MOVING AND EVEN HORRIFIC" Sunday Telegraph Directed by CHRISTOPHER MORAHAN Mon-Sat Evgs 8 00 Mats Sats 3.00 First Call 24 Hr 7 day cc bkgs 01-240 7200 (bkg fee). Open All Hours 01 379 4444 (bkg fee)

HER MAJESTYS Haymarket 839 2244 CC OPEN ALL HOURS 379 6131 First Call CC 240 7200 ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER'S AWARD WINNING MUSICAL THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA MICHAEL CRAWFORD REBECCA CAINE STEVE BARTON Maria Kesselman plays Christine at certain performances Directed by HAROLD PRINCE Eves 7.45 Mats Wed & Sat 3 Now Booking to March '88 - Postal applications only. NB Casting subject to change APPLY DAILY FOR RETURNS

KING'S HEAD 226 8561. THE FLING by Asher - Romantic comedy. Tues-Sat Dnr 7pm, Show 8pm, Sat & Sun Mats 3pm. Sun Lunch 2pm.

LYRIC HAMMERSMITH 01-741 2311 Eves 7.45pm Mats Wed 2.30pm, Sat 4pm. Renaissance Th. Co presents Kenneth Branagh's PUBLIC ENEMY. LYRIC STUDIO Eves 8pm Peter Florence in WAR MUSIC by Wilfred Owen.

LYRIC THEATRE Shaftesbury Ave CC 437 3686/734 5166 CC 741 9999/CC 24hr (bkg fee) 240 7200. Eves 8pm. Sats 5.0 & 8 30 EXTENDED TIL SAT EILEEN ATKINS EDWARD FOX MICHAEL GOUGH "Let us go then you & I" The Life & Poetry of T S ELIOT narrated by JEAN MARSH

LYTTELTON 'S' Box Office 928 2252 CC/240 7200 24hr 7 day Agency CC Bkg fee (National Theatre's proscenium stage) Previews Tomor, Sat, Mon, Tue & Wed 5.30 & Aug 6 & 7 at 5.30. Opens Aug 8 at 5.30. Then Aug 10 & 11 THE WANDERING JEW by Michelene Wandor and Mike Alfreds from Eugene Sue's epic novel.

MAYFAIR CC 629 3036 379 4444 Mon Thu 8 Fri & Sat 5.40 & 8.10 RICHARD TODD in 'The Best Thriller for years' S Mir THE BUSINESS OF MURDER "An unabashed winner" S Exp "Sensational" Times 7TH THRILLING YEAR

MERMAID advance booking 01 638 8891/741 9999 (incl Sunday). Day of perf 01 236 5568 ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY Today 2.00 & 7 30. & until 1 Aug. EVERY MAN IN HIS HUMOUR by Ben Jonson. THEY SHOOT HORSES, DON'T THEY? Ray Herman & Horace McCoy's musical rtns 3 Aug 'Constantly entertaining' S Times. THE GREAT WHITE HOPE by Howard Sackler from 13 Aug.

NATIONAL THEATRE Sth Bank Air conditioned NATIONAL THEATRE COMPANY See SEPARATE ENTRIES under OLIVIER/LYTTELTON/ COTTESLOE Excellent cheap seats days of perfs all theatres from 10 am. RESTAURANT (928 2033). EASY CAR PARK, info 633 0880

NEW LONDON Drury Lane WC2 405 0072 CC OPEN ALL HOURS 379 4444. Tkts from W H Smith Travel Branches. Eves 7.45 Tue & Sat 3.00 & 7.45 THE ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER / T.S. ELIOT MUSICAL CATS Group Bookings 01 405 1567 or 01 930 6123. NOW BOOKING TO DEC

OLD VIC 928 7616 cc 261 1821 Eves 7.30, Wed Mats 2.30, Sat 4.0 & 7.45 Royal Shakespeare Company "THRILLING" (Today) in "Cole Porter's glorious musical" D.Tele KISS ME KATE with PAUL JONES NICHOLA McAULIFFE TIM FLAVIN FIONA HENDLEY "KATE STRIKES GOLD" FT "SHEER BLISS" D.Exp "IRRESISTIBLY ENJOYABLE" S.Times CC Nos (bkg fee): 1st Call 240 7200/Open All Hours 379 4444/ KP 741 9999. Grp Sales 930 6123. SEATS AVAILABLE TONIGHT!

OLIVIER 'S' Box Office 928 2252 CC/240 7200 24hr 7 day Agency CC Bkg fee (National Theatre's open stage) Today 2.00 (low price mats) & 7.00 prompt KING LEAR by Shakespeare. Tomor & Wed 7.15. Sat 2.00 & 7.15 A SMALL FAMILY BUSINESS. Mon 7.00. Tue 1.30 (please note early start) & 7.00 ANTHONY AND CLEOPATRA.

OPEN AIR REGENTS PARK S 486 2431 Credit Cards 486 1933/379 4444 (24 Hrs). A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM Today, Tomor & Sat at 7.45. Mat Sat 2.30. TWO GENTLEMEN OF VERONA all next week

PALACE THEATRE 434 0909 cc OPEN ALL HOURS 379 4444 First Call 24Hr 7 Day cc 240 7200 Grp Sales 930 6123 "THE SHOW OF ALL SHOWS" Newsweek Winner of 8 Tony Awards inc BEST MUSICAL LES MISERABLES THE MUSICAL SENSATION Eves 7 30 Mats Thu & Sat 2.30 Latecomers not admitted until the interval "FIGHT TO GET A TICKET" LBC

PHOENIX THEATRE 01-836 2294 Open All Hours 01 379 4444 (bkg fee) cc 01-240 9661 First Call 24 hour 7 day cc bkg 01-240 7200 (bkg fee) cc 01 741 9999. MICHAEL DENISON GABRIELLE DRAKE LEE MONTAGUE in COURT IN THE ACT "Endlessly inventive, achingly funny" Punch "This is the funniest nonsense in London" Mail on Sunday "Gabrielle Drake...a stunning performance of coquetry and charm" Today Evgs Mon Fri 8.00 Sats 5 00 & 8.30 Mats Thurs 3.00

PICCADILLY 437 4506 cc 379 6565/4444 Open All Hours Grps 836 3962 Limited Season ONLY 6 MORE WEEKS TOM STOPPARD'S 'GLITTERING' D Mail 'SUPERB' Drama 'LUNATIC' Times ROSENCRANTZ & GUILDENSTERN ARE DEAD "PURE COMIC INVENTION" Drama MARK ARDEN & STEPHEN FROST "Inspiring casting" Drama & LIONEL BLAIR "Excels" Today Eves 8. Mats Tue 3. Sat 4

PLAYHOUSE Northumberland Avenue WC2 cc 24hr 240 7200 (no bkg fee) HAZEL O'CONNOR DAVID EASTER HOWARD GOODALL'S GIRLFRIENDS A New Musical Prevs 26 Sep

PRINCE EDWARD 734 8951 ALL tel cc bkgs FIRST CALL 24 hour 7 day on 836 3464 Grp Sales 930 6123. Mon-Sat 7.30 Mats Thurs & Sat 2.30 BEST MUSICAL 1986 Drama Magazine CHESS "A GRAND MASTER OF A SHOW" Newsweek New booking to January 88 APPLY DAILY FOR RETURNS

PRINCE OF WALES, W1. 839 5987 CC First Call 24hr 7 day (Bkg Fee) 240 7200 Grp Sales 930 6123 Air Cond. Limited Season Chaucer's Bawdy Romp! THE CANTERBURY TALES Directed by Michael Bogdanov Mon Thurs 8.00 Fri & Sat 5.30 & 8.40

QUEENS 734 1166/0261/0120 cc 741 9999 First Call 24hr 7 day cc 240 7200 (bkg fee) Groups 930 6123 FRANK FINLAY WENDY CRAIG BEYOND REASONABLE DOUBT by JEFFREY ARCHER DAVID LANGTON DONALD PICKERING ANDREW CRUICKSHANK Directed by DAVID GILMORE Mon Fri 8 Mat Thu 3 Sat 5 & 8.30 Prevs from 17 Sep Opens 22 Sep

ROYAL COURT S CC 730 1745 Eves 8pm, Sat Mats from 8 Aug! 4pm THE COLORED MUSEUM by George C Wolfe. "As original as it is entertaining" AP NY

SADLER'S WELLS 278 8916 First Call cc 240 7200 (bkg fee). Eves 7 30. Mats Thu & Sat 3. RUTH MADOC UNA STUBBS GERALD HARPER SIMON WILLIAMS BLESS THE BRIDE Opens Aug 8 NOW BOOKING

SHAFTESBURY THEATRE 379 5399 24hr cc 379 4444/ 240 7200/ 741 9999 DIANA RIGG JULIA McKENZIE DANIEL MASSEY DAVID HEALY & DOLORES GRAY FOLLIES The Sondheim/Goldman Musical Eves 7.45 Mats Wed & Sat 3 APPLY DAILY FOR RETURNS

ST MARTIN'S 01-836 1443. Special CC No. 379 4444. Evgs 8 0 Tues 2.45, Sat 5.0 and 8.0 35TH YEAR OF AGATHA CHRISTIE'S THE MOUSETRAP

STRAND BO&CC 836 2660/ 4143/5190 K Prowse 741 9999 Evenings Mon-Sat at 8.00 Mats Wed 3 00. Sat 5.00 COLIN BAKER JACK WATLING in CORPSE! The Comedy Thriller "More twists and turns than a corkscrew" NY Times Bkg Fee 1st Call 240 7200 Open All Hours 379 4444 Grp Sales 930 6123

STRATFORD UPON AVON (0789) 295623 ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY at RST. Merchant of Venice Tonight. Tomor 7.30. Julius Caesar Mat Sat 1.30. Twelfth Night Sat 7.30 Swan Theatre, Titus Andronicus Tonight. Tomor 7 30. Hyde Park Mat Sat 1.30. The Jew of Malta Sat 7.30 Stop-Over meal/ticket package (0789) 67262.

VAUDEVILLE Box Office & CC 836 9987/5645 First Call CC 24 Hrs 240 7200 (bkg fee) Open All Hours 379 4444 (bkg fee) CCTB 741 9999 (No Bkg Fee) Grp Sales 930 6123 Air Conditioned GEOFFREY HUTCHINGS TOYAH WILLCOX in The National Theatre Production of THREE MEN ON A HORSE Directed by Jonathan Lynn "Utterly hilarious" S Times "A Great Night Out" Sun Exp. "An Out-and-out winner" Times Evgs 8.00 Mats Wed 3 00 Sats 5 00 & 8.30

VICTORIA PALACE Box Office & cc 834 1317/828 4735 cc 741 9999 379 4444 First Call cc 240 7200 24hr 7 day Grp Sales 930 6123 "A WONDERFUL EVENING OUT... I'M HIGH ON HIGH SOCIETY" S:Times "What a swell party" D.Mirror TREVOR EVE STEPHEN REA NATASHA RICHARDSON ANGELA RICHARDS HIGH SOCIETY Directed by Richard Eyre "PURE MAGIC...leaves you feeling good to be alive" D Exp Mon-Fri 7 45 Wed Mat 3 Sat 4.45 & 8 15

WESTMINSTER 01-834 0283/4 CC 834 0048/First Call 24 hr 7 day (bkg fee) 240 7200/Open All Hours 379 4444. TOM BAKER PAULINE JAMESON PETER BALDWIN AN INSPECTOR CALLS by JB Priestley "Ingenious detective thriller" Eve Std "Totally absorbing" D Exp Tues-Fri 7.45, Mats Wed & Thur 2.30. Sats 5.0 & 8.15.

WHITEHALL off Trafalgar Sq Air conditioned theatre 01 930 7765/839 4455 CC 379 6565/741 9999/379 4444/240 7200 Grp sales 930 6123/836 3962 "ONE OF THE FUNNIEST PLAYS OF RECENT YEARS" Obs DAWN FRENCH SHARON DUCE COLETTE O'NEIL WAYNE FOSKETT THE AWARD WINNING COMEDY When I Was A Girl I Used To Scream & Shout by Sharman Macdonald Directed by Simon Stokes Mon-Thu 8, Fri & Sat 6 & 8 45

WYNDHAM'S Air Cond. 836 3028 cc 379 6565/4444 (no bkg fee) Open All Hours/741 9999/1st Call 24hr (bkg fee) 240 7200 Grps 836 3962 Royal Court production of Caryl Churchill's SERIOUS MONEY "PURE GENIUS" Tel dir by Max Stafford-Clark Mon-Thur 8 0. Fri 5.0 & 8.15. Sat 4.0 & 8.15

YOUNG VIC STUDIO 928 6363 Till 8 Aug Moving Target Theatre Co. presents REBEL IN PARADISE. Eves 7.45. Sat Mat 4 00

ART GALLERIES

ANTHONY D'OFFAY 9 & 23 Dering St W1 GILBERT & GEORGE - NEW PICTURES.

COLNAGHI 14 Old Bond St. W1. Tel:01-491 7408. GEORGIAN ARCADIA - Architecture for the Park and Garden. Until 18 August. Mon-Fri 10-6, Sats 10-1.

FISCHER FINE ART 30 King St. St. James's. SW1. 839 3942. AN ENGLISH SUMMER including works by Hubbard, Kiff, Tindle, West, Moore, Sandle. Until 28 Aug. Mon-Fri 10-5.30.

KING STREET GALLERIES 17 King St. St James's SW1. 930 9392. WILDLIFE - Oils and Watercolours. Until 15 Aug.

MALL GALLERIES The Mall SW1. Exhibition and sale of oriental lacquer furniture, porcelain and ceramic works of art. July 30. (1pm-8pm), July 31-Aug 2 (10-6pm). Adm free.

MATTHIESEN 7-8 Mason's Yard, Duke St. St. James's, SW1 930 2437. ADOLF HIREMY HIRSCHL (1860-1933) Pastels & Drawings. Until 31 July Mon-Fri 10-6 p.m.

ROYAL ACADEMY OF ARTS, PICCADILLY 01-734 9052. Open daily 10-6 inc. Sun. (reduced rate Sun. until 1.45). MASTER DRAWINGS FROM THE WOODNER COLLECTION and SUMMER EXHIBITION.

TATE GALLERY, Millbank SW1. MARK ROTHKO. Until 31 Aug. Adm. £2.50. WINIFRED NICHOLSON. Until 2 Aug. GEORGE PRICE BOYCE. Until 16 Aug. WILLIAM TUCKER. Until 25 Aug. THE CLORE GALLERY FOR THE TURNER COLLECTION. Adm. free. Wkdays 10 - 5.50. Suns 2 - 5.50. Recorded info. 01-821 7128.

THE MALL GALLERIES (Nr Admiralty Arch). SW1. 930 6844. SOCIETY OF WILDLIFE ARTISTS ANNUAL EXHIBITION Starts tomorrow.

CINEMAS

CURZON MAYFAIR Curzon St 499 3737. Yves Montand & Gerard Depardieu in JEAN DE FLORETTE (PG) Film at 1.15 (not Sun) 3.30 6.00 8.30. "Most compelling film in London" D.Tel. "Hugely enjoyable" Std.

CURZON PHOENIX Charing Cross Rd 240 9661. Anne Bancroft & Anthony Hopkins in 84 CHARING CROSS ROAD (U) Film at 2.00 (not Sun) 4.10, 6.20, 8.40

CURZON WEST END Shaftesbury Avenue W1 439 4805. Gary Oldman Alfred Molina Vanessa Redgrave in PRICK UP YOUR EARS (18) Film at 1.00 (not Sun) 3.30 6.15 8.45. "One of the most remarkable British films of the decade" S. Times

GATE CINEMA, Notting Hill Gate 727 4043. Francesco Rosi's CHRONICLE OF A DEATH FORETOLD (15). 2.30, 4.30, 6.40, 9.0. All seats bookable. LAST DAY. STARTS Fri 31st July MAGIC TOYSHOP (15)

LEICESTER SQUARE THEATRE 930 5252 (Enq)/930 7615 (24 hr Access/ Visa/ AmEx Bookings) BLACK WIDOW (15) Sep progs Daily 1.15 3.35 6.10 8.45. All progs bookable in advance.

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TELEVISION AND RADIO

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BBC1

6.00 Ceefax AM.
6.35 Leon Errol in *Truth Aches (b/w)* **6.55 Weather.**
7.00 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough, Sally Magnusson, Jeremy Paxman and Pamela Armstrong. Includes national and international news at **7.00, 7.30, 8.00** and **8.30**; regional news and travel reports at **7.15, 7.45** and **8.15**; weather at **7.25, 7.55** and **8.25.**
8.35 The Pink Panther Show. Cartoons (r). **8.55** Regional news and weather.
9.00 News and weather **9.05 Children's BBC** presented by Siobhan Mayer begins with a **Boss Cat** cartoon (r) and includes, at **9.30 Why Don't You . . ?** Diverting ideas for bored youngsters (r).
10.00 News and weather **10.05 Neighbours** (r) **10.25 Play School** followed by **The Perishers** (r)
10.55 Five to Eleven presented by children from Mora Road Junior School **11.00** News and weather **11.05 King of the Rocket Men** *(b/w) Episode* eight of the cliffhanger adventure. Followed by a **Woody Woodpecker** cartoon. **11.35 Model World.** Bob Symes-Schutzmann with ideas for model railways (r).
12.00 News and weather **12.05 Bonanza.** Ben paroles an inmate of Nevada State Prison and takes him to the Ponderosa to start a new life (r). **12.55** Regional news and weather.
1.00 One O'Clock News with Philip Hayton. Weather **1.25 Neighbours.** Shane threatens to leave his job unless something is done about Bess.
1.45 International Show Jumping from Hickstead featuring the Silk *Cut Tankard. Includes news* and weather at **3.00.**
4.10 The Kwicky Koala Show. Cartoons (r). **4.35 Silas.** Episode seven (r). (Ceefax)
5.00 John Craven's Newsround **5.05 We Are the Champions.** Heat five of the inter-school field and pool competition from Omagh Leisure Centre, Co Tyrone. Taking part are Strabane High School, the Dean Brian Maguire High School, Carrickmore, and Omagh High School. **5.35 The Flintstones.** Cartoon series.
6.00 Six O'Clock News with Sue Lawley and Nicholas Witchell. Weather.
6.35 London Plus.
7.00 ***Top of the Pops*** introduced by Gary Davies.
7.30 EastEnders. Mary is suspicious of a friend's offer of help. (Ceefax)
8.00 Bodymatters. The first of a new series presented by doctors *Graeme Garden, Alan Maryon* Davis and Gillian Rice. Blood is the topic and it is examined with the help of a dance troupe, a large-size model of a heart and the shower scene from *Psycho*. (Ceefax)
8.30 In Sickness and in Health. Alf has trouble with his neighbour who shares his front door when she threatens to lock him out if he is late home from the pub (r).
9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Julia Somerville and Philip Hayton. Regional news and weather.
9.30 Blackadder II. The final programme of the series and Lord Edmund awaits the Virgin *Queen's pleasure in the company of Lord Percy and Baldrick,* his servant (r).
10.00 ScreenStory: *For the Term of* His Natural Life. The final episode and John Rex plans to return to England to usurp the name and inheritance of Richard Devine; *and Rufus Dawes makes* strenuous efforts to escape from the penal colony on Norfolk Island. (Ceefax)
12.00 Weather.

BBC2

6.55 Open University: Inner City Story (1) Ends at **7.20.**
9.00 Ceefax. 1.20 Fingermouse (r). **1.35 Ceefax.**
2.15 Glorious Goodwood. *Julian* Wilson introduces coverage of the King George Stakes (2.30); the Lanson Champagne Vintage Stakes (3.00); the Schweppes Golden Mile Stakes (3.30); and the Goodwood Cup (4.10). Includes news, regional news and weather at **3.55.**
4.25 Film: The Freshman (1925, b/w) starring Harold Lloyd as a freshman desperate to be the most popular man on the campus. *To become this he has to excel* in a big football game. Directed by Fred Newmeyer and Sam Taylor.
5.30 Jasrah Goes to Cowes. Ray Gosling experiences Cowes Week on board the good ship Jasrah. (r)
6.00 Film: The Last Command (1955) starring Sterling Hayden. The story of the defence of the Alamo when less than 200 Texans faced a 4,000 strong force of *Mexicans for 13 days. Directed by* Frank Lloyd.
7.50 Eye to Eye. This fourth of six *documentaries made* by *black* film-makers focuses on the young people of Bristol's black *communities who are* increasingly forsaking the pubs and the clubs for the church.
8.20 Glass Kingdoms at Kew. David Attenborough tells the story of the new Princess of Wales Conservatory at Kew.
9.00 The Travel Show presented by Paul Heiney. Jackie Spreckley reports from the Tunisian resort of Hammamet where she found white sand and multi-lingual bingo; three girls from the *Lake District take a decidedly* wet cycling tour of the Yorkshire Dales; Matthew Collins bemoans a long distance bus ride without toilets; and John Kettley has the latest news on the heatwave in Greece.
9.30 Loving Memory. (see Choice)
10.10 Waterfront. The first of a new series on maritime matters, presented by Chris Denham.
10.40 Newsnight 11.25 Weather.
11.30 Open University: Weekend *Outlook* **11.35** *Mechanics: Work,* Energy, Power. Ends **12.05.**

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6.00 TV-am introduced by Kay Burley and Mike Morris. News at **6.00** and **6.30**; weather at **6.28** and **6.58**; financial news at **6.35**; sport at **6.40**, and exercises at **6.55.**
7.00 Good Morning Britain. News at **7.00, 7.30, 8.00** and **8.30**; cartoon at **7.25**; sport at **7.40**; and pop music at **7.55.**
8.35 Wacaday. For the young.
9.25 Thames news headlines.
9.30 Stingray (r). **10.00 Jack London.** Episode one of an adventure serial about a young boy who wants to find out who his parents were, and to become a cabin boy (r). **10.30 University Challenge.** University of Reading versus University College, Oxford.
11.00 Thomas the Tank Engine and Friends (r). **11.10** ***Puddle Lane*** (r). **11.25 Thames news** headlines **11.30 Kids Work Out.** Child expert Dr John Pearce talks to Kay Avila and to parents about the problems of sleep **12.00 The Sullivans.** Drama serial about an Australian family during the 1940s.
12.30 News with John Snow **12.50 Thames news.**
1.00 Scarecrow and Mrs King. A security leak puts a top secret operation at risk **1.55 Home Cookery Club.** Strawberry and Lemon Surprise **2.00 Password.** Game show, presented by Gordon Burns. With Dickie Davies and Anne Gregg.
2.30 Heirloom. English porcelain is *the subject of this first edition in a* new series of the antiques programme **3.00 Take the High Road 3.25 Thames news** headlines **3.30 Sons and Daughters.** Australian family drama serial.
***4.00 Fat Tulip Too* 4.10 Sign a Story.** For the young hearing impaired **4.20 Storybook International: Two For One.** The story of a woman married to two thieves (Oracle) **4.45 The Blunders** (r) **4.50 Panic Station.** Lighthearted science series
5.15 Diff'rent Strokes. American comedy series.
5.45 News with Alastair Stewart **6.00 Thames news.**
6.25 What it's Worth. Consumers' queries answered by Penny Junor and David Stafford.
6.35 Crossroads.
7.00 Emmerdale Farm. Who is going to run the *Woolpack* in the absence of Amos and Mr Wilks?
7.30 Never the Twain. Comedy series starring Donald Sinden and Windsor Davies this week trying to buy cheap air tickets to Canada but falling foul of the law (r).
8.00 ***The Benny Hill Show*** *(r)*
9.00 The Equalizer. McCall is at a wedding celebration in an hotel when it is invaded by terrorists who take the guests hostage. Starring Edward Woodward. (Oracle)
10.00 News at Ten with Alastair Burnet and Carol Barnes Weather followed by Thames news headlines.
10.30 Why Couples Break Up. Finding a balance when a relationship becomes uneven. Presented by Masud Hoghughi.
11.00 Connie. *Drama* serial set in the world of fashion. Starring Stephanie Beacham (r)
12.00 Prisoner Cell Block H. Australian drama serial set in a *women's prison.*
1.00 Video Sounds. Guitarist Steve Hackett.
1.30 America's Top Ten presented by Casey Kasem.
2.00 News headlines followed by **Film: Outland** (1981) starring Sean *Connery. Science fiction* thriller about a security agent investigating a spate of suicides at a space base. Directed by Peter Hyams Ends at **4.00.**

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2.30 Film: The Green Pastures (1936, b/w) starring Rex Ingram, Oscar Polk and Eddie Anderson. Film version of Marc *Connelly's Pulitzer Prize-*winning play retelling the stories of the Old Testament through the eyes of Negro children attending a Southern United States Sunday school. Directed by Marc Connelly and William Keighley.
4.15 Movie Museum (b/w) *The Sisters Bon Bon,* made in about 1902 is the story of acrobatic sisters touring the United States; *Her Terrible Ordeal,* made in 1910, is about a secretary locked *in the office safe.*
4.30 Countdown. Today's challenger is Mike Whiteoak, a bank official from Mansfield.
5.00 Film: General Nuisance (1941, b/w) starring Buster Keaton. Comedy about the shy son of a millionaire who meets two Army nurses and decides to enlist. Directed by Jules White.
5.20 Film: Inn For Trouble (1959, b/w) starring David Kossoff and Peggy Mount. Comedy about a *couple managing a remote* country pub who discover that the locals prefer the free and stronger brew made by the local Lord. Directed by Pennington Richards.
7.00 Channel 4 News *with Trevor* McDonald and Sue Carpenter.
7.50 Comment. Novelist and television critic, Allan Massie, talks about the problems of Scottish conservatism. **Weather.**
8.00 Equinox: Playing with Fire. A documentary about fire-hazards in homes, offices and shopping precincts. (Oracle)
9.00 Film: Experience Preferred But Not Essential (1982) starring Elizabeth Edmonds. A *First Love film about a young student* who takes a holiday job in a Welsh holiday resort hotel staffed by a disparate collection of characters. With Ron Bain and Sue Wallace. Directed by Peter Duffell.
10.25 Film: Painters Painting (1972) A documentary about artists who worked in the New York area between 1940 and 1970. Directed by Emile de Antonio.
12.30 Film: The American Soldier *(1970, b/w) (see Choice) Ends at* **2.00.**

VARIATIONS

BBC1 WALES: 5.35pm-6.00 Wales Today **6.35-7.00** Gardening Together **12.00-12.05am** News and weather. **SCOTLAND: 6.35pm-7.00** Reporting Scotland. **NORTHERN IRELAND: 5.35pm-5.40** Today's Sport **5.40-6.00** Inside Ulster **6.35-7.00** Go For It! **8.30-9.00** Don't Wait Up **12.00-12.05am** News and weather **ENGLAND: 6.35pm-7.00** Regional News Magazines.

ANGLIA As London except:**9.25am-9.30** Anglia News and weather **12.50pm Anglia News and weather** 1.00-2.00 **Falcon Crest** 5 15-5.45 **Connections** 6.00-6.35 **About Anglia** 7.00-7.30 **Anything Goes** 10.30 **Wheels** 11 15 **Why Couples Break Up** 11.45 **Rock of the Seventies** 12.15 **Look To Luton, close.**

BORDER As London except:**12.50pm** Border News **1.00-2.00** Crown Green Bowling **3.00** At Home With ... John Critchley *3.25 Border News Headlines* **3.30-4.00** The Young Doctors **5.15-5.45** *Horses for Courses* **6.00-7.00** Lookaround Thursday **12.00** Crown Green Bowling **12.40** Weather, close.

CENTRAL As London *except:5.15am-6.00* Central Jobfinder '87 **9.25-9.30** Crystal Tipps and Alistair **12.00-12.30** Contact **12.50** Central News **1.00-2.00** Blacke's Magic **5.15-5.45** Adventurer **6.00-6.35** Central News **12.00** Return to Eden **1.45am** Dateline Thursday **3.05** Central News followed by Central Jobfinder 87.

CHANNEL As London except:**9.25am** For Openers **12.00-12.30** Ask No Questions **12.50pm** Channel News and weather *1.00 A Country Practice 1.30-***2.00** The Sullivans **3.30-4.00** Carson's Law **5.12** Puffin's Plaiçe **5.15-5.45** Connections **6.00-6.35** Channel Report followed by Video Club **10.30** Owain Arwel Hughes Conducts **11.30** Why Couples Break Up **12.00** The Untouchables **12.55am** Weather. Close.

GRAMPIAN As London except:**9.25am-9.30** News Headlines followed by First Thing **12.50pm** North News **1.00** Pin Money **1.30-2.00** Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous (Barbara Cartland) 5 15-5 45 **Connections** 6.00 **North Tonight** *6 30* ***Crossroads*** *7.00-7.30* **Adventurer** 12 00 **Portrait of a Legend (Herb Alpert)** 12 30am **News, weather, close.**

GRANADA As London *except:9.25am-9.30* Granada Reports **11.25-11.30** Granada Reports **12.50pm** Granada Reports **1.00** Crown Green Bowling **1.55-2.00** Granada Reports **3.25** Granada Reports **3.30-4.00** The Young Doctors **5.15-5.45** Mister Merlin **6.00** Granada Reports **6.25-6.35** This is Your Right **12.00** Crown Green Bowling **12.40am** Close.

HTV WEST As London except:**9.25am-9.30** HTV News **12.50pm** HTV News **1.00** A Country Practice **1.55-2.00** Home Cookery Club **5.15-5.45** Show Me **6.00-6.35** HTV News **10.30** The Year Was... 1966 **11.00** HTV Weekend Outlook **11.05** Why Couples Break Up **11.35** Derrick **12.45am** Weather, close.

HTV WALES As HTV West except:**6.00pm-6.35** Wales At Six **10.30-11.00** One and All **11.00** Why Couples Break Up **11.30** Derrick **12.40am** Weather, close.

SCOTTISH As London except:**9.25am-9.30** Scottish News **12.50** Scottish News **1.00-2.00** A Country Practice **3.00** Ask No Questions **3.25** Scottish News **3.30-4.00** Mary **5.15-5.45** Connections **6.00** Scotland Today **6.20-6.35** Scottish on Screen **7.00-7.30** *Take the* High Road **11.00** Late Call **11.05** About Gaelic **11.35** The Sweeney **12.30am** Close.

TSW As London except:**9.25am-9.30** TSW News and weather **12.50pm** TSW News and Weather **1.00-2.00** Man in a Suitcase **5.12** Gus Honeybun's Magic Birthdays **5.15-5.45** Blockbusters **6.00** Today **6.30** Survival **7.00-7.30** Knight Rider **12.00** Cover Story **12.25am** *Postscript* **12.30** *Weather,* close

TVS As London except:**9.25-9.30** TVS Outlook **12.00-12.30** Ask No Questions **12.50pm** TVS News **1.00** A Country Practice **1.30-2.00** The Sullivans **3.25-4.00** TVS News followed by Carson's Law **5.12-5.45** TVS News Headlines followed by Connections **6.00-6.35** Coast to Coast **10.30** Owain Arwel Hughes Conducts **11.30** Why Couples Break Up **12.00** The Untouchables **12.55am** Company, close.

TYNE TEES As London except:**9.25am-9.30** Regional *News* **11.00-12.00** International Cricket **12.50** Regional News **12.55** Lookaround **1.00** Take the High Road **1.30-3.25** International Cricket **5.15-5.45** International Cricket **6.00-6.35** Northern Life **10.32** *First Edition* **11.05** *Why Couples* Break Up **11.30** International Cricket Highlights **12.00** Treasure in the Familiar **12.10am** Close.

ULSTER As London except:**9.25am** The Day Ahead **12.50** Lunchtime **1.00-2.00** Randall & Hopkirk (Deceased) **3.30** Bygones **3.58-4.00** Ulster News **5.15-5.45** Survival **6.00** Summer Edition **6.20** Police Six **6.25-6.35** Cartoon **12.00** Moviemakers **12.30am** News.

YORKSHIRE As London except:**9.25am-9.30** Calendar News **12.00-12.30** Calendar Lunchtime Live **12.50pm** Calendar News **1.00-2.00** Randall & Hopkirk (Deceased) **5.15-5.45** Easy Street **6.00-6.35** Calendar **12.00** *Film The Postman Always Rings Twice* **2.00** Jobfinder **3.00** Close

S4C Starts:**12.10pm** Film The Man Between* **2.00** Countdown **2.30** Down-Home **3.30** Time to Remember* **4.00** The Abbott and Costello Show* **4.30** Fflalabalam **4.45** Athro Amser **4.50** Straeon y Byd **5.15** Cartoon Time **5.30** *Ourselves and Other Animals* **6.00** Brookside **6.30** Same Difference **7.00** Newyddion Saith **7.30** Siarabang **8.00** Prolir Prifeirdd **8.30** Dinas, News Headlines **9.05** Hill Street Blues **10.00** What Now? **11.00** *People to People* **12.00** The Twilight Zone **12.30** Film Der Amerikanische Soldat **2.00** Close.

In another churchyard

TELEVISION CHOICE

● **For Loving Memory: The Muffled Bells** (BBC2, 9.30pm) poet Tony Harrison uses Gray's *Elegy Written In A Country Churchyard* to inspire his own lament for the passing of an English rural tradition that has lapsed just as surely as his own craft. Evidence of the old ways is still to be found in the Hampshire village of Breadmore to which Harrison dedicates a commentary spoken entirely in verse. He (and the churchgoers of Breadmore) make a gentle and unfashionable assumption that death is part of the order, an acceptance giving rise to a curious pride in things built to last: a carpenter's elm coffin, we are told with quiet satisfaction, will hold up for at least 25 years whereas the new factory-made veneer jobs will cave in within the year.

● What better viewing for insomniacs than the late German director, Rainer Werner Fassbinder, who proclaimed "I can sleep when I'm dead"?

Rainer Werner Fassbinder (right) in The American Soldier (Channel 4, 12.30am) which he wrote and directed

Speed is a stimulant and Fassbinder, who died in 1982 at 38, was faster than most: nine full-length feature films written and directed in 12 months of 1969 and 1970; more than 40 movies and major television works altogether. **The American Soldier** (C4, 12.30am) comes from that prodigiously productive year. Its story of pimps and gangsters is in part a love-letter to the cheap black-and-white American movies Fassbinder grew up with in the flea-pits of post-war Germany. As well as writing and directing, he relished performing and some of his best work was his acting. Here he takes a leading role, bagging the best costume, a white suit, for himself.

Chris Petit

Radio 1

MF (medium wave) Stereo on VHF (see below)
5.30 Adrian John **7.00** Simon Mayo **9.30** Simon Bates **11.00** The Radio 1 Roadshow! **12.30** Newsbeat **12.45** Gary Davies **3.00** Steve Wright **5.30** Newsbeat **5.45** Bruno Brookes **7.30** Janice Long **9.00** The Eric Clapton Story **10.00-12.00** Andy Kershaw **VHF** Stereo Radios 1 and 2.- **4.00am** As Radio 2 **10.00am** As Radio 1 **12.00-4.00am** As Radio 2

Radio 2

MF (medium wave). Stereo on VHF (see Radio 1)
Cricket Scoreboard **7.30pm** **4.00am** Colin Berry **5.30** Ray Moore **7.30** Derek Jameson **9.30** Ken Bruce (incl **9.40** NatWest Trophy semi-final draw) **11.00** Jimmy Young **1.05pm** David Jacobs **2.05** Glorious Goodwood Special. **3.00** Lanson Champagne Vintage Stakes, **3.30** Schweppes Golden Mile Handicap) **4.05** Adrian Love (incl the **4.10** Goodwood Cup) **5.05** John Dunn **7.00** Country Club **8.00** Country music from Scotland **9.00** Rhythm and Blues **10.00** Wise on the Wireless **10.30** Star Sound Cinema **11.00** Round Midnight **1.00am** Nightride **3.00-4.00** A Little Night Music.

WORLD SERVICE

N.B. Times in GMT Add an hour for BST **6.00** Newsdesk **6.30** Verse **6.40** Farming World **7.00** News **7.09** 24 Hours **7.30** New Waves on the Shortwave **7.45** Network UK **8.00** News **8.09** Reflections **8.15** Country Style **8.30** John Peel **9.00** News **9.09** Review of British Press **9.15** World Today *9.30 Financial News followed by Look* Ahead **9.45** From Cradle to Grave **10.00** News **10.01** Gold and Silver **10.30** Londres Midi **11.00** News **11.09** News About Britain **11.15** New Ideas **11.25** A Letter From England **11.30** Assignment **12.00** Radio Newsreel **12.15** Multitrack 2 – Top Twenty **12.45** Sports **1.00** News **1.09** 24 Hours **1.30** Network UK **1.45** Happy Talk **2.00** Outlook **2.45** Write On ... **3.00** Radio Newsreel **3.15** The Pleasure's Yours **4.00** News **4.09** Commentary **4.15** English by Radio **4.45** Londres Soir **5.30** Heute Aktuel **7.00** Live Relay Promenade Concert **7.10** News **7.11** Outlook **7.56** Stock Market **8.00** News **8.09** 24 Hours **8.30** Business Matters **9.00** News **9.01** Book Choice **9.06** In the Meantime **9.15** A Jolly Good Show **10.00** News **10.09** World Today **10.25** A Letter from England **10.30** Financial News **10.40** Reflections **10.45** Sports **11.00** News **11.09** Commentary **11.15** Merchant Navy Programme **11.30** Verse **11.40** Farming **12.00** News **12.09** News About Britain **12.15** Radio Newsreel **12.30** Music Now **1.00** News **1.01** Outlook **1.30** Happy Talk **1.45** Book Choice **1.50** In the Meantime **2.00** News **2.09** Review of the British Press **2.15** Characters at Court **2.30** New Music **3.00** News **3.09** News About Britain **3.15** World Today **3.30** Six Four Eight **3.40** Financial News **3.45** Morgenmagazin **4.45** World Today **5.00** World News **5.09** 24 *Hours* **5.30** Londres Matin

Radio 3

6.35 Open University. Maths *Foundation Tutorial*
6.55 Weather **7.00** News
7.05 Morning Concert Molter (Clarinet Concerto in G: Jost Michaels with Munich Chamber Orchestra under Hans Stadlmair). Webern *arrangement of Bach (Suspart Ricercar,* The Musical Offering: LSO under Pierre Boulez) Pizzetti (Concerto dell estate. Suisse Romande under Lamberto Gardelli). **8.00** News
8.05 Concert (continued) Handel (Ode for the Birthday of a Queen: Choir of Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford, and Academy of Ancient Music, under Simon Preston). Verdi (Aida ballet *music: New York PO under* Leonard Bernstein). Bruch (*In Memoriam Op 65.* Leipzig Gewandhaus under Kurt Masur, with Salvatore Accardo violin)
9.00 World Service News
9.10 This Week's Composer. Zemlinski. Lyric Symphony Op 18 (Berlin PO under Lorin Maazel, with Dietrich Fischer-Dieskau, baritone, and Julia Varady, soprano
10.00 Beethoven and Schumann: Simon Shewring (piano) plays Beethoven's 32 Variations in C minor on an original theme, WoO 80, and Schumann's Kinderszenen
10.30 Where are They Now ? Play by Tom Stoppard, with Carleton Hobbs, Timothy West, Lockwood West and John Humphrey in the cast. The story of an old boys' reunion dinner (r)
11.05 Piano trios: Haydn Trio of Vienna play Erod's Trio No 2, and Turina's No 2
11.40 Six Continents: foreign radio broadcasts, monitored by the BBC. Presented by Angus McDermid(r)
12.00 BBC Welsh SO, under Howard Williams. With Dong Suk Kang (violin) Nielsen (Violin Concerto), Sibelius (Rakastava suite, and The Bard). **1.00** News
1.05 Musicians of the Royal Exchange, including Anthony Goldstone, piano and Frank Lloyd, horn. Roussel (Divertimento Op 6), Poulenc (Elegie for horn and piano), Saint-Saens (Caprice on Danish and Russian Airs), Poulenc (Sextet for piano and wind)
2.00 Panocha String Quartet Haydn (E flat major quartet, Op 33 No 2), Dvorak (Quartet in G, Op 106)
2.55 Ethel Smyth's Mass in D: BBC Concert Orchestra, under Meredith Davies, with *BBC Symphony Chorus and* soloists Teresa Cahill, Anne *Collins, Richard Morton and* Henry Herford
4.05 Piano recital Peter Katin plays Bach's Chromatic Fantasia and Fugue in D minor, Brahms's Seven Fantasias Op 116, and *Liszt's Vallee d Obermann,* (Premiere annee de pelerinage)
5.00 World Service News
5.10 Mainly for Pleasure: music that reflects glorious women. Presented by Natalie Wheen.
6.20 Bandstand Cory Band, conducted by Major H A Kennedy, with Martin Jones (piano) play Edric Cundell's Blackfriars, and Mervyn *Burch's Concerto for piano* and brass band. **6.55** News
7.00 Continental Cabaret Chansons: (1) Drinking and Dancing, on records. Including Crocodile Bar on the River Nile, and Chat Noir in Montmartre.
7.30 Proms 87: BBC Symphony Orchestra under Gianluigi Gelmetti. With Barry Douglas (piano). Part one. Tchaikovsky (Piano Concerto No 1). From the Royal Albert Hall. In the interval, at 8.05, Stravinsky and the Seasonal Cycle — a talk by Stephen Walsh who relates the work to other theatrical compositions by Stravinsky
8.25 Proms (continued): Stravinsky's The Rite of Spring
9.15 Primo Levi: an assessment of the writer's work by Paul Bailey The contributors include Natalia Ginsberg and Aharon Appelfeld
10.00 *Proms 87. Songs for Prince* Henry. From St Paul's Church, Knightsbridge, London. Consort of Musicke under Anthony Rooley (lute), with soloists Emma Kirkby, Evelyn Tubb, Mary Nichols, *Andrew King, Rufus* Muller,and Alan Ewing. Ward (No object dearer, and Weep forth you tears). Campion (All lookes be pale). Tomkins (When David heard). Coprario (Songs of *mourning)*
11.10 First Night: review by Robert Cushman of Ayckbourn's new play Henceforth, in Scarborough
11.20 Langham Chamber Orchestra, under George Malcolm (harpsichord). Handel (Partenope overture). Mozart (Serenade No 2, K 101), Haydn (Harpsichord Concerto in D. H XV111 2)
11.57 News **12.00** *Closedown*

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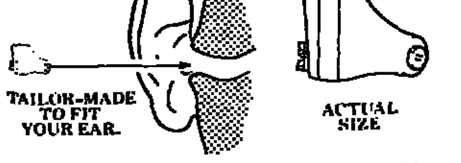
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8.42 Family Matters. Part 4 of Simon Crisp's memoirs, written and read by Christopher Matthew. **8.57** *Weather: Travel*
9.00 News **9.05** Conversation *Piece. Ruth and Edmond* Frow, guardians of the Working Class Movement Library, talk to Sue MacGregor (r)
9.30 The Natural History Programme. Fergus Keeling *hears about the increase in* shark fishing, and asks whether Nessie and the Queensland Tiger-Rat are fact or fiction
10.00 News: Indian Tales of the Raj. What the Indians thought of the British and their legacies (4) Quit India. Presented by Roshan Seth
10.30 Morning Story. Interesting Things, by Kingsley Amis. The reader is Carole Boyd
10.45 An Act of Worship (s)
11.00 News; Travel; What Was The Matter With Rupert? Andrew Morton presents a reappraisal of Rupert Brooke. With Nigel Havers as the poet, on the centenary of his birth (r) (s)
11.47 The Butterfly Collectors *(new series)* Martin Wainwright considers the life and work of great entomologists (1) Mr Moffett and Mad Eleanor
12.00 News; You and Yours, presented by John Buckley
12.25 *Braden Beside Himself* Bernard Braden ambles through the world of transatlantic humour. This week, Money Matters. Including the wit and wisdom of Groucho Marx, Mark Twain, and Stephen Leacock. **12.55** Weather
1.00 The World At One. News
1.40 The Archers **1.55** Shipping
2.00 News; Woman's Hour, with Sue MacGregor Includes an interview with Ruth Lister, Director of the Child Poverty Action Group. Also the ninth instalment of Stan Barstow's Just You Wait and See.
3.00 News; The Afternoon Play. Resurrection Day by Anita Bronson. With Maurice Denham, Kay Adshead, *Jennifer Piercey* and Christian Rodska in the cast. The story of a woman who has deserted her family (s)
4.00 News
4.05 A Good Read. Brian Gear *invites Kevin Crossley-*Holland and Patricia Morison to pick some paperbacks
4.35 Kaleidoscope. Includes the Kirov Opera at the Royal Opera House (r)
5.00 PM.News magazine **5.50** *Shipping* **5.55** *Weather:* Travel
6.00 News; Financial report **6.30** Brain of Britain 1987. The contestants are: Peter Richardson, Michael Hazeldine, Clarence Rickards, and Christopher Argyle (r)(s)
7.00 News
7.05 Archers
7.20 Times Remembered (new series) Ian Skidmore talks to Lady Williams, daughter of a wealthy landowner in Tsarist Russia, and now a diplomat's wife
7.40 Carnival For Science (1) Brazil is committed to rapid industrial and technological development. Geoff Watts examines the process
8.25 Mustard Seed and The Missionary Position. Conversations in Zimbabwe, collected and introduced by Penelope Lee (s)
9.00 Does He Take Sugar? For disabled listeners
9.30 Barry *Fantoni's Chinese Horoscopes.* With Steve Davis and Barry Hearn (see Choice)
9.45 Kaleidoscope. Includes items on the new film Tin Men, and Miranda, at the *Chichester Festival* Theatre
10.15 A Book at Bedtime. Cannery Row by John Steinbeck (9). The reader is William Roberts
10.30 The World Tonight
11.15 The Financial World tonight
11.30 Enterprise Marjorie Lofthouse visits a small successful bakery business which began as a Manpower Services Scheme (r)
12.00 News, Weather
VHF (available in England and S Wales only) as above except **5.55-6.00am** Weather, Travel **1.55-2.00pm** Listening Corner **5.50-5.55** PM (continued) **11.30-12.10am** Open University: Open Forum

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RADIO CHOICE

Steve Davis: R4, 9.30pm

● At least it makes a welcome change from those column acres the tabloids fill with gazing at the stars or deducing things from the signs of the zodiac. But it is not just for this reason alone that **Barry Fantoni's Chinese Horoscopes** (Radio 4, 9.30pm) deserves to be called the most eccentric 15 minutes on BBC radio. The oriental slant that Fantoni brings to his occasional series about character reading puts us into animal categories that are decided by our year of birth and not by whether Mars happens to be in conjunction with Jupiter, or whatever. The snag is that the Chinese horoscope, like a good suit or the prediction of the "genuine" gypsy princess with crystal ball in the fairground booth, fits only where it touches. More seriously, there can also be an alternative reading. More than once, snooker champion Steve Davis (rooster) and his manager Barry Hearn (rat) tonight confound the stereotyping process, never more so than by disproving the theory (testified to by any farmer) that roosters and rats do not happily co-exist except (and here the farmyard analogy falls to bits) when they are united in matrimonial bliss.

Peter Davalle

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Surplus food costs treble

By Martin Fletcher, Political Reporter

The direct cost to the British taxpayer of storing surplus agricultural produce has more than trebled in three years to an estimated £118 million, or £2 per Briton, the Commons Public Accounts committee said yesterday.

The total storage costs for Britain amounted to £269 million, with the European Community contributing £151 million.

But some of that £151 million also falls on the British taxpayer.

The committee's report comes less than a month after the Prime Minister refused to back the other member states over extra cash for the EEC next year.

She described spending on agriculture as "bloated" and said there had to be rigid controls on the Common Agricultural Policy before further money for the EEC could even be considered.

The committee, *Parliament's* financial watchdog, said it was very concerned about the soaring costs to Britain of storing produce now worth £1.2 billion.

The body responsible, the Intervention Board for Agricultural Produce, attributed the escalation to a five-fold rise in the average level of intervention stocks and to a reduction in EEC contributions of 25 per cent since 1985.

It argued that it had no control over the financing element of the storage costs, which accounted for £52 million of the £118 million. But the committee called on the board to intensify its efforts to cut storage costs.

Elsewhere in the report the committee criticized the inadequacy of the board's accounting systems, which are largely manual. The committee said the "unreliable and error-prone" systems had led to Britain being singled out by the EEC and threatened with "disallowance".

There had been substantial unresolved discrepancies and consequent delays in accounts. That was "quite unacceptable".

Between 1978 and 1982 corrections in favour of the EEC totalled more than £10 million, while forecasting errors acounted for around £21 million of the extra £59 million that the board had to be granted by Parliament in 1985-86.

A computerized stock system first planned in conjunction with the Ministry of Agriculture in 1980 had still to be implemented fully by March this year because the scale of the requirements had been underestimated.

The committee said: "We find it particularly disappointing that the introduction of essential computerized systems was not given higher priority."

Public Accounts Committee: Intervention Commodity Stockholding in the United Kingdom. HMSO £3.60.

System under pressure, page 2

Sentences leave question of ministerial responsibility unexplained

10 years' jail for former Chernobyl plant chief

From Mary Dejevsky, Moscow

The former director of the *Chernobyl* nuclear power plant and two of his senior colleagues were sentenced yesterday to 10 years' hard labour after being found guilty of criminal negligence for their part in the Chernobyl nuclear plant disaster.

Three other former employees of the plant received lesser sentences.

The verdicts were announced at the end of a three-week trial in the town of Chernobyl, 11 miles from the plant. The procceedings were conducted in secret. Only a few journalists were allowed into the court to hear the indictment read on the opening day and to hear the summing up and the verdicts at the end.

Otherwise, reporters were excluded and no reports of the proceedings appeared in the Soviet press.

Viktor Bryukhanov, the former director of the plant, was sentenced to 10 years in a labour camp on the main charge of criminal negligence and another 5 years to run concurrently for abusing his power. The plant's chief engineer, Nikolai Fomin, and his deputy, Anatoly Dyatlov, also received 10 years for criminal *negligence.*

The shift leader at reactor *number four where the accident* happened, Boris Rogozhkin, was sentenced to five years, the director of the reactor, Alexander Kovalenko, was given three years, and Yuri Laushkin, a senior enginer, two years.

In his summing up, the judge, Mr Raimond Brize, criticized what he called the lack of control and responsibility prevalent at the plant.

The acident is believed to have occurred when an experiment being conducted at the plant went wrong. It was apparently intended to find out whether fuel could be saved by *using energy* generated by turbines that were running down.

It is still not known whether the experiment was authorized at ministerial level or whether it was conducted at the instigation of the plant's management. The additional sentence on Bryukhanov for abuse of power suggests that he has had to accept the blame.

Soviet comment on the accident in recent weeks has maintained an uneasy balance between blaming the staff at the reactor and conceding the possibility of design faults.

Last week, a leading Soviet nuclear scientist told the official news agency Tass that in conducting the experiment the staff had broken regulations and overridden safety mechanisms. But he admitted that the terms of the experiment had required the safety regulations to be broken. He also admitted that reactors of the Chernobyl RMBK type had *certain defects, especially* when operating at lower power.

Earlier this week, a deputy minister with responsibility for nuclear power said the RMBK reactor was being phased out and no more would be built.

After the trial the Chernobyl information director, Mr Alexander Kovalenko, told journalists *that there would be* four more hearings as a result of the accident.

They would try to find out who was responsible for defects in design and construction of the reactor, why medical and evacuation procedures had been inadequate, and the reason for what he called "security errors".

The accident, which happened on April 26 last year, has so far cost 31 lives and blighted large areas of agricultural land.

About two hundred people are reported to have suffered from radiation sickness, and the trial was apparently postponed once because one of the accused, the chief engineer, Fomin, had not recovered *sufficiently.*

Viktor Bryukhanov (left) and his two colleagues, Anatoly Dyatlov and Nikolai Fomin, hearing their sentences yesterday.

'Spycatcher' hearings

Lords to rule on Wright book today

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

The House of Lords will today *rule* on whether injunctions banning newspapers from publishing extracts from the memoirs of the former MI5 agent Peter Wright will be lifted.

The ruling by the five law lords is the decisive one in the Government's long-running *battle to stop publication of* Mr Wright's allegations.

But it might not be the end of legal action. Sir Patrick Mayhew, QC, the Attorney General, has made clear that if the injunctions are lifted, he may bring fresh proceedings against *The Sunday Times* for breach of confidence.

The Sunday Times, The Guardian and The Observer, and Sir Patrick are all appealing against a ruling last Friday by the Court of Appeal that a partial ban on publication should continue. Sir Patrick wants the ban to be total.

Yesterday Lord Bridge, senior law lord, asked counsel for the Attorney General how long the British public was to be kept in innocence of Mr Wright's allegations, which were now known worldwide.

He questioned whether the Government, which accepted it could not stop people bringing the book from New York, would take action against a bookseller ordering 100 copies or against a "politically unsympathetic" local authority ordering some for public libraries. Mr John Mummery, for the Attorney General, said he believed both those examples would be contempt of court.

He added that the most crucial thing about his case was the general principle of confidence, which needed to be comprehensive and effective. Otherwise no country would ever have faith in Britain's ability to preserve secrets of any kind. In a sense, he said, Mr Wright was an irrelevance.

Lord Bridge replied: "You haven't persuaded any of the four judges in the two courts below that to maintain the total ban is reasonable or *sensible*".

Last week Sir John Donaldson, Master of the Rolls, and two other judges said the lifting of the bans earlier in the week by the Vice-Chancellor Sir Nicolas Browne-Wilkinson had been wrong.

But a blanket ban was not justified, they said. Instead the Court of Appeal proposed that newspapers be allowed to publish the substance of Mr Wright's allegations in "very *general summary*" but no direct passages, extracts or excerpts from the book.

The Government's battle with the newpapers in this country coincides with its final appeal in the New South Wales Court of Appeal against a ruling there in March that Heinemann's could publish Mr Wright's book *Spycatcher.*

Lord Templeman, who is sitting with Lords Bridge, Bandon, Ackner and Oliver, said he was concerned at a proviso in the temporary injunctions which allowed publication of *Spycatcher* in this country if the courts in Australia refused to grant the Government an injunction

In Australia, the New South Wales Appeal Court yesterday identified an important obstacle to publication there of *Spycatcher.* An affidavit by a senior Canberra government official said it would be detrimental to Australia's national interests.

Mr Michael Codd, the Australian Cabinet Secretary, had agreed with the British Government at last year's hearing that the book could *undermine Western security* operations. The view of the Bench yesterday was that his affidavit might have been given insufficient weight when Mr Justice Powell ruled *Spycatcher* could be published.

Sir Laurence Street, the Chief Justice, said yesterday that Mr Codd's testimony was a "critical issue". He thought it might break new ground, in that a country of jurisdiction could agree to uphold the law of a foreign government if it coincided with its own national interest.

Mr Malcolm Turnbull, appearing for Mr Wright and *the* Heinemann Publishing Company, said the opinion of the Government was not conclusive.

Tribunal call, page 4

Ridley battles to save poll tax

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worried, by having a reasonably long transitional period.

The Treasury proposal for an extra year for London is seen within the Department of the Environment as a ploy to eke out the proceeds from the rates. Mr Ridley's paper argues that an extra year would mean a softening of the poll tax impact for those Labour-controlled inner London boroughs which have been most spendthrift in recent years.

The burden would fall on people living outside London, he argues. It would be £2 extra on everyone else's charge bill if the nationwide phase-in period is three years, and proportionately more if it is four years.

● A revolt against the Government's proposals is in prospect from the Confederation of British Industry, formerly one of the most ardent supporters of a change in the rating system (Our Industrial Correspondent writes).

The CBI has told the Government that it could only support the overall changes, including the proposed community charge and uniform business rate, if there was an accompanying 25 per cent industrial de-rating.

After yesterday's meeting of the policy-making CBI council, the employers' group said it was extremely concerned that its condition for support was unlikely to be met. It is *now to launch* a wide-ranging review of the business rating proposals and report back to the council in September.

The CBI said: "Over the past six years businessmen have had to face an increase in real terms from £5 billion to £8 billion in rates, equal to the amount saved each year by abolition of the national insurance surcharge. Business is paying out £2 billion more a year in rates than it is receiving in services, which amounts to an extra tax in business and a hidden subsidy on domestic ratepayers."

Initial support for the business rate reform has now evaporated at the CBI. Consultation with local rate groups of businessmen has been totally unproductive, the CBI says.

Hope of missile deal is cooled

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spite Moscow's apparent lack of enthusiasm for ideas that President Reagan called "historic", British officials detected signs of what in chess would be an end-game. After narrowing their differences to a single issue of no military importance, neither President Reagan nor the Soviet leader, Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, will be prepared to accept failure.

The view in Whitehall is that whatever the two sides say now, a compromise which does not force West Germany to give up its Pershing 1A missiles will be reached. Such a compromise may, however, have to wait for the meeting in September between the US Secretary of State, Mr George Shultz, and Mr Eduard Shevardnadze, the Soviet Foreign Minister.

Other sources suggested that, since both superpowers clearly wanted a deal, the real issue was which of them would pick up most of the kudos. President Reagan's counter-attack on Mr Gorbachov's growing image of moral superiority was bound to produce a spoiling response. A note of sarcasm in Mr Obukhov's remarks lent credence to this somewhat cynical belief.

Referring to a special session of the talks called by the US on Tuesday, he said: "I didn't find any compromises in what I was told yesterday. Maybe I will have to study them more closely to find the compromises." As the American proposals included one of the key Soviet demands — no conversion of one type of missile into another — the Mr Obukhov could hardly have been as unimpressed as he professed.

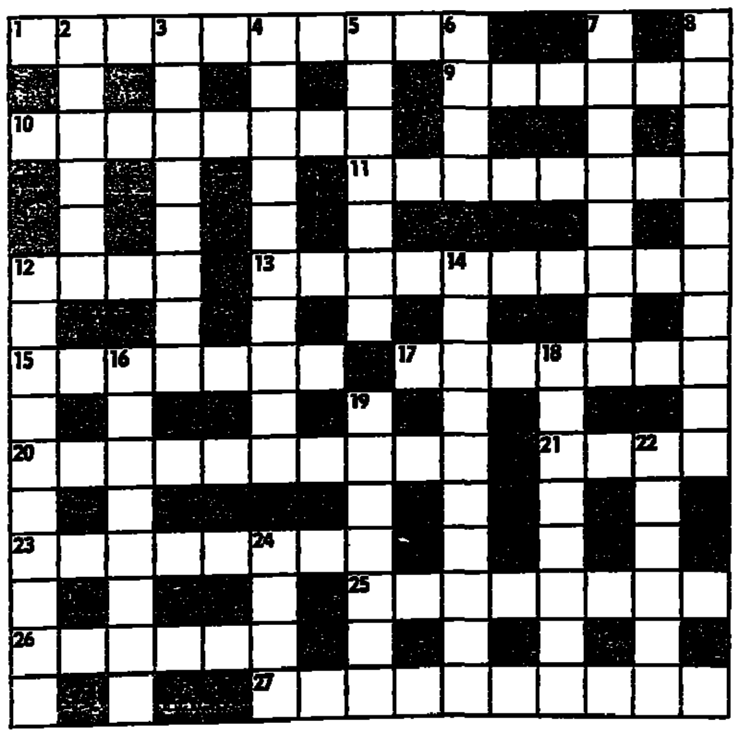
Yesterday, it was the Soviet delegation's turn to call a special session. Mr Obukhov tabled a draft document on anti-ballistic missiles and said it represented "a good basis for agreement with the United States on the question of strengthening the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty regime and prevention of an arms race in space. We hope that the American side this time will reciprocate and will react positively."

Asked whether the Soviet proposals contained any concessions, such as permitting some research, he said that they banned "all preparation and deployment" of space arms. Although the space weapons proposals were given separate treatment, Mr Obukhov said they were inseparable from the strategic weapons issue.

Moscow would present a draft treaty on strategic arms "in a few days", he said.

A senior US negotiator, Mr Henry Cooper, reacted unenthusiastically to the 10-page Soviet document tabled yesterday. He said it contained "some new details", but the Soviet Union was still using the space-weapon issue to "hold hostage" a deal on strategic weapons. "They still want to stop SDI and the President refuses to do that," he said.

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 17,422



ACROSS

1 Trot out with a crate designed for pottery (10).
9 Sixty minutes in clutches of lanky slave (6).
10 Daughter in a robe, unusually elegant (8).
11 A very quiet finish gets one cross in a book (8).
12 Creatures found in two rivers? (4).
13 It protects the forward-looking motorist (10).
15 Problem for two girls separated by lake (7).
17 Anticipate payment in sore distress? On the contrary (7).
20 An early exponent of world revolution (10).
21 Predicament familiar to mountaineers (4).
23 One of three administrators in Antony's office (8).
25 Fashionable wine I consumed, having learnt the fundamentals (8).
26 Batsman making drink available? (6).
27 Endure terrible danger amidst its noisy chaos (4-6).

DOWN

2 Eager at first to amalgamate and become known (6).
3 Ridge-piece or upright made from oak, perhaps (4-4).
4 President gives daily help around island (10).
5 Try out article on New York's oppressive rule (7).
6 Standing on a capsized vessel (4).
7 Conflict over uniform for a gaoler (8).
8 Plant belonging to a ragtime bandleader, say (10).
12 Address revealing commitment (10).
14 On which an underpaid son removes weeds from a Herts town? (4-6).
16 Ill-balanced team engaged in frightful plod (8).
18 Available in sale, *ripe fruit* tree (8).
19 Its notes upset a company of republicans (7).
22 Determine to attain composure (6).
24 Some are overbearing — 17, for one (4).

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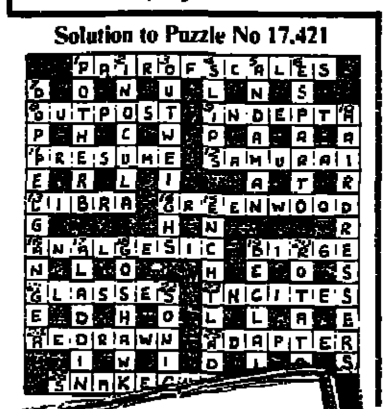
Solution to Puzzle No 17,421



WEATHER

A ridge of high pressure will keep the British Isles in a cool north-westerly airflow. Although some eastern counties of England may start cloudy, most areas will have a dry, bright day. With winds coming from the north-east it will still be on the cool side with temperatures struggling to reach normal. Western Scotland and Northern Ireland will start bright but cloud will increase from the west during the morning with some mainly light rain during the afternoon. Later in the day many other northern and western areas will have cloud and rain here and there. Outlook for tomorrow and Saturday: unsettled but most places dry and bright during Saturday.

ABROAD

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow; t, thunder.

		C	F			C	F
Ajaccio	s	25	77	Majorca	s	29	84
Akrotiri	s	31	88	Malaga	s	28	82
Alex'dria	f	30	86	Malta	s	30	86
Algiers	s	33	91	Melb'rne	r	10	50
Amst'dm	c	18	64	Miami'	f	33	91
Athens	s	32	90	Milan	f	26	79
Bahrain	s	40	104	Montreal'	c	18	64
Barbads'	f	30	86	Moscow	c	22	72
Barcelna	s	25	77	Munich	c	18	64
Beirut	s	31	88	Naples	f	28	82
Belgrade	f	23	73	N Delhi	f	36	97
Berlin	r	13	55	N York'	f	30	86
Bermuda'	f	29	84	Nice	s	24	75
Biarritz	c	20	68	Oslo	f	18	64
Borde'x	c	21	70	Paris	c	20	68
Brussels	f	18	64	Peking	c	31	88
Budapst	c	22	72	Perth	c	14	57
B Aires'	f	16	61	Prague	c	16	61
Cape Tn	d	17	63	Reykjvik	c	11	52
C'blanca	s	25	77	Rhodes	s	29	84
Ch'church	s	12	54	Rio de J	s	23	73
Cologne	r	16	61	Riyadh	f	47	117
C'phagn	c	14	57	Rome	s	27	81
Corfu	s	32	90	Salzburg	f	16	61
Dublin	f	18	64	S F'risco'	s	17	63
Dubrovnik	s	27	81	Santiago'	s	15	59
Faro	s	23	73	S Paulo'	s	27	81
Florence	f	30	86	Seoul	r	23	73
Frankfurt	c	17	63	St'kholm	r	12	54
Funchal	s	24	75	Strasb'rg	f	23	73
Geneva	s	24	75	Sydney	f	15	59
Gibraltar	s	27	81	Tangier	s	25	77
Helsinki	f	18	64	Tel aviv	s	34	93
Hong K	c	29	84	Tenerife	s	29	84
Innsbrck	s	21	70	Tokyo	s	35	95
Istanbul	f	27	81	Toronto'	s	24	75
Jeddah	s	41	106	Tunis	s	30	86
Jo'burg'	s	20	68	Valencia	c	26	79
L Palmas	s	27	81	Vanc'ver'	s	19	66
Le Tquet	r	16	61	Venice	s	26	79
Lisbon	s	24	75	Vienna	c	21	70
Locarno	s	25	77	Warsaw	c	18	64
L Angels'	f	21	70	Wash'ton'	s	31	88
Luxembg	c	19	66	Wel'nton	s	13	55
Madrid	f	30	86	Zurich	f	22	72

' denotes Tuesday's figures are latest available

AROUND BRITAIN

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Scarboro	3.2	-	17	63	cloudy
Bridlington	2.0	-	17	63	cloudy
Cromer	2.0	-	17	63	cloudy
Lowestoft	1.3	-	18	64	cloudy
Clacton	2.8	-	19	66	cloudy
Southend	1.2	-	21	70	cloudy
Margate	1.8	-	19	66	dull
Folkestone	2.6	.01	21	70	cloudy
Hastings	2.4	-	21	70	cloudy
Eastbourne	3.5	-	21	70	bright
Brighton	3.0	-	20	68	bright
Worthing	2.1	-	21	70	cloudy
Littlehmptn	2.8	-	23	73	bright
Bognor R	3.9	-	22	72	bright
Southsea	4.7	-	23	73	cloudy
Shanklin	7.0	-	21	70	sunny
Bournemth	3.2	-	22	72	bright
Poole	2.8	-	24	75	cloudy
Swanage	2.2	-	21	70	bright
Weymouth	4.7	-	21	70	sunny
Exmouth	3.9	-	22	72	bright
Teignmouth	5.8	-	23	73	sunny
Torquay	5.1	-	23	73	sunny
Falmouth	3.0	-	19	66	sunny
Penzance	4.3	-	20	68	sunny
Scilly Isles	1.8	-	20	68	bright
Jersey	0.8	-	19	66	cloudy
Guernsey	0.8	-	19	66	cloudy
Newquay	0.7	-	20	68	cloudy
Ilfracombe	1.0	-	18	64	dull
Minehead	4.9	.02	21	70	bright
B'pool Airpt	0.7	.01	17	63	rain
Morecambe	1.4	.09	16	61	drizzle
Douglas	•	.01	•	•	drizzle
B'ham Airpt	1.6	.04	21	70	cloudy
Bristol (Ctrl)	7.0	-	21	70	sunny
Carlisle	1.8	.01	16	61	rain
London	4.6	.03	22	72	rain
Manchester	1.0	.03	17	63	drizzle
N'ctl-n-Tyne	1.4	-	18	64	shower
Nottingham	2.9	-	18	64	cloudy
Anglesey	1.0	.02	18	64	rain
Cardiff (Ctrl)	2.3	.02	21	70	cloudy
Colwyn Bay	1.7	.17	19	66	cloudy
Tenby	3.3	-	20	68	cloudy
Aberdeen	0.4	-	15	59	cloudy
Edinburgh	2.7	.01	18	64	bright
Eskdalemuir	1.1	.07	15	59	rain
Glasgow	-	.01	17	63	cloudy
Kinloss	0.3	-	17	63	cloudy
Lerwick	0.1	-	12	54	shower
Prestwick	0.1	.06	15	59	rain
Stornoway	0.1	-	15	59	drizzle
Tiree	0.1	.03	16	61	rain
Wick	1.9	-	13	55	rain
Belfast	1.2	.03	21	70	rain

These are Tuesday's figures

Buying The Times overseas
Austria Sch 29; Belgium B Frs 50; Canada $2.75; Canaries Pes 200; Cyprus 80 cents; Denmark Dkr 12.00; Finland Mkk 9.00; France F 9.00; W Germany DM 3.50; Gibraltar 70p; Greece Dr 200; Holland Gl 3.50; Irish Republic 40p; Italy L 2,700; Luxembourg Lf 45; Madeira Esc 200; Malta 35c; Morocco Dir 12.00; Norway Kr 10.00; Pakistan Rps 18; Portugal Esc 200; Singapore $5.50; Spain Pes 200; Sweden Skr 12.00; Switzerland S Frs 3.00; Tunisia Din 1.00; USA $2.00; Yugoslavia Din 1,000

HIGH TIDES

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	5.27	6.8	5.34	6.6
Aberdeen	4.31	4.0	5.13	3.8
Avonmouth	10.43	11.9	10.53	12.2
Belfast	2.24	3.4	2.45	2.9
Cardiff	10.28	11.1	10.38	11.3
Devonport	9.09	4.9	9.15	5.1
Dover	2.13	6.1	2.35	6.3
Falmouth	8.39	4.7	8.45	4.9
Glasgow	3.50	4.6	4.40	4.0
Harwich	3.18	3.8	3.26	3.8
Holyhead	1.36	5.3	1.59	5.0
Hull	9.43	7.0	10.15	6.8
Ilfracombe	9.30	8.3	9.43	8.4
Leith	6.00	5.1	6.28	5.0
Liverpool	2.31	8.8	2.51	8.5
Lowestoft	1.10	2.1	12.51	2.4
Margate	3.30	4.4	3.34	4.5
Milford Haven	9.44	6.3	9.58	6.4
Newquay	8.36	6.3	8.50	6.5
Oban	9.19	3.5	9.16	3.7
Penzance	8.13	4.9	8.19	5.2
Portland	10.35	1.7	10.30	1.9
Portsmouth	2.41	4.2	3.15	4.3
Shoreham	2.24	5.6	2.51	5.8
Southampton	2.02	4.2	2.35	4.2
Swansea	9.50	8.5	10.03	8.6
Tees	7.00	5.1	7.32	4.8
W'ton-on-Nze	3.12	4.0	3.19	4.0

Tide measured in metres: 1m=3.2808ft.

THE POUND

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.375	2.255
Austria Sch	21.65	20.65
Belgium Fr	64.05	60.85
Canada $	2.215	2.105
Denmark Kr	11.71	11.11
Finland Mkk	7.52	7.12
France Fr	10.24	9.74
Germany Dm	3.085	2.925
Greece Dr	229	218
Hong Kong $	12.94	12.24
Ireland Pt	1.151	1.091
Italy Lira	2230	2120
Japan Yen	253	239
Netherlands Gld	3.47	3.29
Norway Kr	11.32	10.72
Portugal Esc	239	228
South Africa Rd	4.60	3.80
Spain Pta	209	199
Sweden Kr	10.76	10.21
Switzerland Fr	2.555	2.425
USA $	1.673	1.593
Yugoslavia Dnr	1150	1050

Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers cheques.

Retail Price Index: 101.9

London: The *FT* Index closed up 19.4 at 1874.4.

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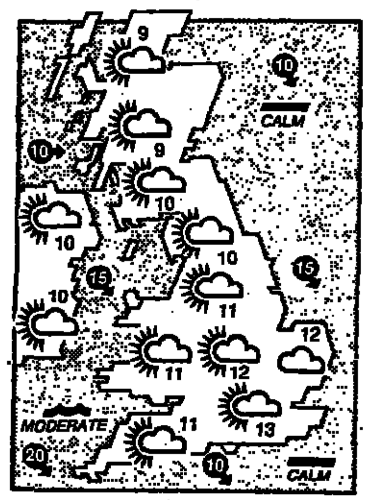

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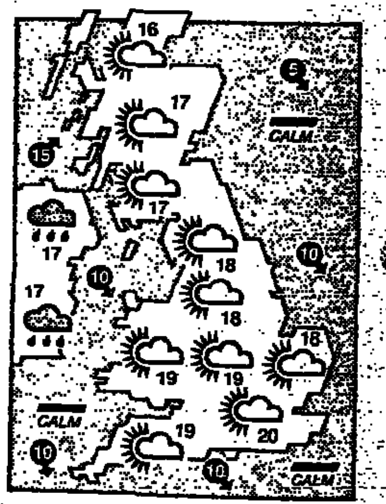

YESTERDAY

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

		C	F			C	F
Belfast	c	15	59	Guernsey	c	16	61
B'rmgham	r	17	63	Inverness	c	17	63
Blackpool	f	17	63	Jersey	d	16	61
Bristol	f	19	66	London	r	19	66
Cardiff	r	16	61	M'nchster	c	17	63
Edinburgh	f	20	68	Newcastle	r	17	63
Glasgow	f	20	68	R'nldsway	c	15	59

LIGHTING-UP TIME

London 9.23 pm to 4.52 am
Bristol 9.32 pm to 5.02 am
Edinburgh 9.55 pm to 4.44 am
Manchester 9.40 pm to 4.52 am
Penzance 9.39 pm to 5.19 am

Sun rises:	Sun sets:
5.20 am	8.53 pm
Moon rises	Moon sets
10.10 am	10.33 pm

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LONDON

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 21C (70F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 16C (61). Humidity: 6 pm, 78 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, 0.47 in. Sun, 24 hr to 6 pm, 2.3 hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1008.8 millibars, rising.
1,000 millibars=29.53in.

MANCHESTER

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 19C (66F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 15C (59F). Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, 0.32 in. Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, 5.4 hr.

HIGHEST & LOWEST

Tuesday: Highest day temp: Poole, Dorset, and Southampton, 24C (75F); lowest day max: Lerwick, Shetland, 12C (54F); highest rainfall: Southport, Merseyside, 0.37 in; highest sunshine: Bristol and Shanklin, Isle of Wight, 7hr

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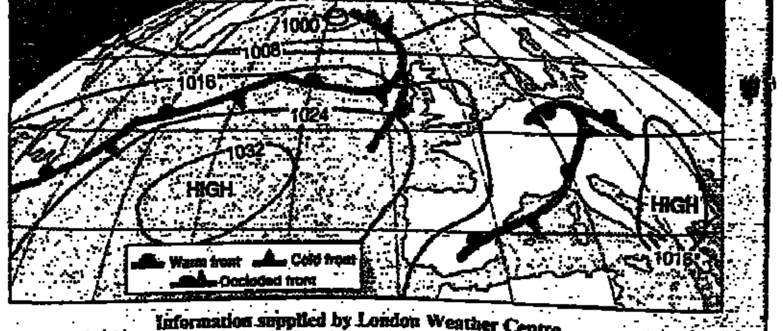

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STOCK MARKET

FT 30 Share
1874.4 (+19.4)

FT-SE 100
2383.1 (+23.2)

Bargains
51519 (51949)

USM (Datastream)
218.81 (+0.96)

THE POUND

US dollar
1.6020 (+0.0040)

W German mark
2.9749 (+0.0074)

Trade-weighted
72.7 (+0.1)

Deadline for TSB investors

The Trustee Savings Bank yesterday warned its 2 million shareholders that they stand to lose the right to their shares and bonus entitlements if they fail to meet the September 8 second payment deadline.

Shareholders who are late paying could lose the extra bonus share paid for every ten shares already held since the original issue.

The TSB is sending letters telling investors that the second 50p instalment will be falling due, and advising them of the exact amount they will have to pay with the address of the bank to which payment should be sent.

But the bank has lost track of about 150,000 shareholders who are believed to have moved house since last year's *share issue.*

Ocean ahead

Ocean Transport and Trading which last year fought off a £258 million bid from Mr Ron Brierley, the New Zealand entrepreneur, had interim pretax profits up 15 per cent to £17.3 million to end-June. The interim dividend increases 15 per cent to 3.34p.

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Kleinwort job

Kleinwort Benson, the merchant bank, was appointed financial adviser to the Government on the planned privatization of electricity supply in England and Wales yesterday.

SUMMARY

STOCK MARKETS

New York	
Dow Jones	2525.19 (+5.42)*
Tokyo	
Nikkei Dow	24427.12 (+41.30)
Hong Kong:	
Hang Seng	3389.73 (+52.27)
Amsterdam: Gen	318.2 (+2.4)
Sydney: AO	1999.8 (+18.5)
Frankfurt:	
Commerzbank	1958.1 (+11.7)
Brussels:	
General	5374.3 (+28.0)
Paris: CAC	416.6 (+2.8)
Zurich: SKA Gen	573.90 (+4.00)
London: FT. A	1210.46 (+11.50)
FT. Gilts	88.66 (-0.10)

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MAIN PRICE CHANGES

RISES:	
Newage Group	207p (+44p)
Manna Devs.	655p (+28p)
RTZ	1312p (+34p)
Consolidated Gold	1349p (+42p)
Meyer Int.	451p (+16p)
Property Partner	325p (+62p)
Sidney Banks	628p (+23p)
Blue Arrow	1021p (+23p)
Hawker Siddeley	610p (+30p)
Graig Shipping 'A'	610p (+45p)
Laporte	549p (+25p)
Dunhill	265p (+22p)
Chapman Inds.	420p (+35p)
Southend Stadium	1090p (+25p)
ERF	270p (+37p)
Keep Trust	427p (+22p)
Stothert & Pitt	175p (+58p)
FALLS:	
Elect. Machine	215p (-45p)
Ealing Electro	267p (-24p)
Victor Prods.	170p (-18p)

Prices are as at 4pm

INTEREST RATES

London: Bank Base: 9%
3-month Interbank 9⅜-9 5/16%
3-month eligible bills: 8 29/32-8⅞%
buying rate
US: Prime Rate 8¼%
Federal Funds 6 [illegible]%*
3-month Treasury Bills 5.89-5.88%*
30-year bonds 98¼-98 29/32*

CURRENCIES

London:	New York:
£: $1.6020	£: $1.6007*
£: DM2.9749	$: DM1.8575*
£: SwFr2.4663	$: SwFr1.5395*
£: FFr9.8948	$: FFr6.1775*
£: Yen241.34	$: Yen150.65*
£: Index:72.7	$: Index:103.8
ECU £0.698800	SDR £0.791318

GOLD

London Fixing:
AM $459.50 pm-$457.75
close $485.00-458.50 (£285.75-286.25)
New York:
Comex $457.40-457.90*

NORTH SEA OIL

Brent (Sept) pm $19.80bbl ($19.60)
* Denotes latest trading price

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Group takes 'exciting step' with purchase of US rental firm

Thorn EMI in $594m deal

By Carol Ferguson

Thorn EMI, the diversified electronics and music group, is paying $594 million (£371 million) cash for Rent-A-Center, the leading US rental company that pioneered the successful "rent to own" concept.

Rent-A-Center, in Wichita, Kansas, has a 9 per cent share of the highly-fragmented rental market for household durables *from televisions and* music equipment to white goods and furniture.

Mr Colin Southgate, the chief executive, said this was a very exciting step: "We can now claim to be the market leaders on a world basis."

In spite of a market size estimated at $2.5 billion, Mr Southgate said the US rentals business was still an emerging market. Sales are growing at 30 to 35 per cent a year compound.

Rent-A-Center has been growing at 36.5 per cent a year for the past four years, slightly faster than the market. Pretax *profits have grown from* $5.3 million in 1982 to $18.4 million last year. It has outlets in 38 states and operates 270 stores directly. Franchisees operate a further 168 stores.

To fund the acquisition, Thorn is using the "open offer" method, issuing 53.4 million shares at a placing price of 695p, an 8 per cent discount to yesterday's opening price. Unlike a conventional rights issue, existing shareholders do not have an automatic right to receive *shares but can apply for the* whole issue on the basis of one new share for every 4.38 shares held.

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Shareholders who do not apply will not be entitled to any nil-paid rights for sale in the market. Those shares not applied for will be placed with institutions.

The US rental business differs from the British market in that Americans ultimately want to own the equipment. Rent-A-Center contracts enable the renter to buy the *equipment after a specified* number of payments. Most equipment is sold in an average 20 months and depreciation is provided over 18 months.

Future growth will be based on opening new stores in new areas, as well as in areas where *the company already operates,* and on acquiring stores from franchisees and independent operators. In the past 12 months, the company opened 68 stores, and franchisees opened a further 78 stores.

All the shops are leased, and for its price Thorn will receive tangible assets of £41 million, mainly in equipment for rent. In addition, the four senior managers have agreed to stay with the company for a minimum of five years.

The opportunities for a rival bidder to come in with a higher offer have been reduced by the so-called "company option." This agreement gives Thorn the option to subscribe for up to 8 million new shares in Rent-A-Center, which together with the acceptances of the large shareholders, will give Thorn control.

The shares fell 20p on the announcement, but later rallied, closing 12p down on the day at 744p.

'Market leaders on a world basis': Thorn's Colin Southgate

Mercantile's profits fall 44% to £42m

By Richard Thomson, Banking Correspondent

Mercantile House yesterday announced a 44 per cent drop in pretax profits to £42 million, compared with £75.4 million the previous year, but the results held no surprises and Mercantile's share price remained strong.

The biggest blow to the company's performance over the year to April 30 was the turn-round in investment banking from a £42.7 million profit to a loss of £1.6 million. The loss was the result of heavy start-up costs and acute competition, and includes a large loss by Alexanders Laing & Cruickshank on gilt-edged trading and equities.

Mercantile said the loss was not unexpected and that several years of approximate break-even performance had been expected before profits showed through. The results did not include profits from Mercantile's holding in Oppenheimer & Co Inc and Oppenheimer Capital Corp which were included in the previous year's figures. The investment was sold towards the end of that year and the proceeds reinvested in investment banking activities.

Mercantile also seffered an £8 million loss from its involvement in Humes, the Australian firm, and it had earlier warned that it may be subject to a *"material"* tax claim on leasing activities.

Wholesale money-broking activities, however, produced a 33 per cent increase in profits from £30.1 million to £40.9 million, while fund management profits rose from £12.6 million to £15.9 million.

Immediately after the announcement, Mercantile's shares rose 7p to 558p, but they dropped back during the *afternoon to close 1p up on* the day at 552p. Uncertainty continued over the status of Quadrex's interest in the company. The US financial services company has still not made a formal offer to Mercantile to counter the bid by British & Commonwealth.

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BAA falls 5p as big buyers stay away

By Ray Heath

While the rest of the stock market enjoyed a strong recovery yesterday, BAA shares fell as dealers reported a lack of institutional support to offset a steady stream of sales from small investors.

The price of the partly-paid £1 shares fell 5p to 141p — equivelant to 286p at the fixed offer price of 245p, and well below the average 290p bid by institutional investors in the tender offer.

The fall came despite an announcement that BAA's Gatwick airport overtook New York's John F Kennedy airport to become the world's second busiest after Heathrow, handling 15.85 million passengers in the year to end-April.

Allegations that the seven marketmakers in the BAA shares were deliberately discouraging business by quoting a wider than usual spead of 5p between the bid and offer price were denied by leading dealers.

"With a stock like this you don't know which way business was going to go, it could all have been one way," said a leading dealer, who added that he would not be surprised to *see the spread narrow to the* more traditional 3p level seen in other privatization issues.

But there were also reports that stockbrokers were making no effort to keep commissions to a minimum for those investors who wanted to sell their shares. This reflected the reluctance to deal in the 100-share lots allocated in the fixed price offer to 2.1 million investors, which could further clog the already struggling settlement system of the Stock Exchange.

Once again, National Westminster Bank reported heavy trading through the computer dealing system installed in its 245 branches. One provincial stockbroker admitted that small investors were being sent along to NatWest whenever possible.

NatWest reported that it had sold 5.283 million shares for 22,704 clients during trading hours. But it was planning to keep its doors open up to 5pm or 6pm if customers were still queueing up

On Tuesday, the first day of dealings, NatWest sold 7.6 million shares for 26,000 clients, and was expecting to be similarly busy today .

Early indications from the Stock Exchange suggested that the measures taken to meet the settlement problems posed by the BAA allocations were having some effect. The initial processing and matching of bargains had gone fairly smoothly, said a Stock *Exchange official.*

In a further attempt to limit the settlement problem, the Stock Exchange is preparing to write to registrars of large companies, who are responsible for processing the transfer of shares, urging them to speed up their systems.

Fears fade of rise in rates

By David Smith
Economics Correspondent

Fears of an early rise in base rates faded yesterday, as traders decided that worries about economic overheating had *been overdone.*

Money market rates showed a softer tone, and with the three-month interbank rate closing at 9⅜-9 5/16 per cent, the clearing banks are no longer under pressure to raise base rates from 9 per cent.

Analysts said Tuesday's CBI survey had helped to calm market worries about overheating, and there was now a chance that the authorities would be able to avoid raising interest rates.

The June trade figures, due on August 11, are seen as crucial. "If they show an improvement then there will be no reason for a rise in base rates, either now or for the rest of the year," said Mr Malcolm Roberts, economist at Salomon Brothers.

Shares were strong, with the FT-SE 100 index closing 23.2 points up at 2,383.1. Government stocks held on to Tuesday's gains in quiet trading, and stocks were steady across all maturities.

Final money supply figures for June, released by the Bank of England yesterday, confirmed the strong, £3.93 billion, rise in bank lending last month.

The broad money measures M3, M4 and M5 rose by 1, 1.3 and 1.3 per cent respectively, to stand 19.2, 13.8 and 13.5 per cent above levels a year earlier. Narrow money, M0, targeted in a 2 to 6 per cent *annual growth range, rose 0.2* per cent, to 4.2 per cent above its June 1986 level.

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Panel to amend Code

By Lawrence Lever

The Takeover Panel is to amend the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers, to *ensure that the full board of a* company in a takeover situation is kept fully informed of all relevant actions taken by the directors orchestrating the takeover or defence.

The amendments will also provide that a director concerned about the propriety of an action by his company should make sure the company consults the Panel or, failing that, do so himself.

The changes are the latest in a series of measures taken by the Panel and other regulatory bodies to counteract weaknesses exposed by the manner of the Guinness takeover of Distillers.

In particular, they cater for the situation where, as in the case of Guinness, the responsibility for the conduct of a takeover is delegated to a committee of directors.

Mr Robert Alexander QC, the new chairman of the Takeover Panel, said yesterday that the effect of the changes would be to widen the range of people from whom non-executive directors have traditionally been chosen.

In a statement, the Panel said all directors in a takeover situation should be told of all relevant share dealings, *"agreements, understandings,* guarantees, expenditure (such as fees) or other obligations entered into or incurred in the context of the offer."

The Panel said it "regards each director of the offeror and offeree company as having a responsibility under the Code to ensure, so far as he is reasonably able, that the Code is complied with in the conduct of an offer."

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It added that while "boards of directors may delegate the day-to-day conduct of an offer to individual directors or committees of directors, the board as a whole must ensure that proper arrangements are made to enable it to monitor that conduct in order that each director may fulfil that *responsibility.*"

In addition, the Panel said financial advisers have a special responsibility to ensure that all directors are aware of their responsibilities under the *Code.*

The Panel specified that the committee of directors running a takeover offer or defence should report relevant information "within one or two days."

It says the changes should "go a considerable way towards ensuring an awareness on the part of all directors of actions taken in pursuance of an offer or in defence against an offer.

"That awareness will, in turn, focus a greater degree of accountability to their fellow directors on those who have the day-to-day responsibility *for the conduct of the offer.*"

The Panel says the changes should be adopted immediately.

Aitken rejects 'concert' talk

By Our City Staff

Aitken Hume International, the financial services group, yesterday rejected allegations by Mr Larry Strenger, one of its directors, that its two largest shareholders were acting in concert.

The company issued a statement saying that Morgan Grenfell, its adviser, also dismissed the allegations.

Aitken Hume has consulted the Takeover Panel, which is expected to give its decision *shortly — possibly before today's annual meeting of the* company.

The Aitken board announced last week that it was recommending shareholders not to re-elect Mr Strenger as a director.

This was after disagreements between Mr Strenger and the company's two largest shareholders — the Lee Ming Tee Group and Saudi Investments & Finance Corporation. Both shareholders have just under 25 per cent of Aitken Hume.

The row split the board with Mr Jonathan Aitken, chairman, supporting Mr Strenger against Lee *Ming* and Saudi Investments and Mr Tony Constance, Aitken's chief executive.

Yesterday the board — minus three directors but including Mr Aitken — voted unanimously to confirm its opposition to Mr Strenger's re-election.

Mr Constance said the company would deliver "a very guarded message" to *shareholders* at today's meeting.

He also said there was no indication that Mr Strenger's estrangement from the board would precipitate the loss of Aitken's valuable mutual fund management business in the US, carried out through its National Securities and Research subsidiary.

Mystery of why Sir James is selling his French shares

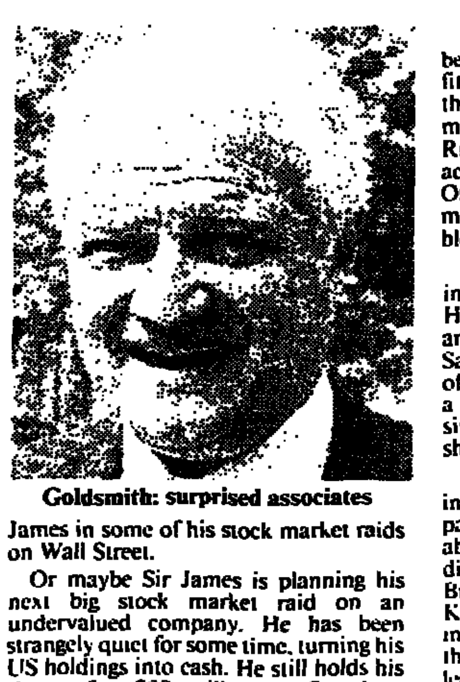
Goldsmith retreats into cash

From Nick Gilbert, New York

Since selling most of his stake in Générale Occidentale, the quoted French holding company, Sir James Goldsmith, never fond of publicity, has taken still more of his international empire out of public view. The Anglo-French financier's assets are now increasingly concentrated in a string of Panamanian, Hong Kong and Cayman Islands offshore companies, largely controlled by the Brunneria Foundation, a Liechtenstein business. According to papers, Sir James filed with the US Securities and Exchange Commission, the Foundation "distributes its income to charitable and other worthwhile causes selected by its board."

Sir James has also turned more of his *mixed bag of assets* to cash with the sale to Cie Générale d'Électricité, the French telecommunications group. CGE now has effective control over his French publishing interests, Basic Resources, an oil company, and Grand Union, the US supermarket chain. Grand Union, one of his first *US purchases in 1970, has sales* of nearly $3 billion (£1.88 billion) but has hardly been a big investment success. For years Sir James, an investment strategist rather than hands-on manager, largely ignored Grand Union, which ran up multi-million dollar losses in the early Eighties but whose performance has improved since many of its stores were refurbished.

Sir James's French sale has, however, surprised associates. "Maybe Sir James has an increasingly negative view of the world's stock markets and reckons cash is going to be king," says Mr Stanley Cohen, an executive with Transcontinental, which has partnered Sir James in some of his stock market raids on Wall Street.



Goldsmith: surprised associates

Or maybe Sir James is planning his next big stock market raid on an undervalued company. He has been strangely quiet for some time, turning his US holdings into cash. He still holds his share of a $90 million profit when, partnered by cash-rich Hanson Trust, he forced Goodyear Tire to buy him off at the end of last year. Goodyear shares *have since soared to $72 from $48.*

He hardly lacks for powerful friends. In his Goodyear assault, Merrill Lynch was prepared to provide $2 billion if his takeover attempt had gone ahead. Parisbas and other European and US *banks have staked his past Wall Street* raids. Apart from Sir James Hanson, his partners have included Mr Jacob Rothschild and Mr Kerry Packer.

Sir James's US cash hoard has also been given a boost by his highly profitable splitting-up of Crown Zellerbach, the paper group. Last year, he sold its mainstream paper operations to James River and kept control over 1.9 million acres of timberland in Louisiana and Oregon, a container and office equipment business, plus cash and an office block in San Francisco.

While these interests are concentrated in three private companies — Gaylord Holdings, Cavenham Forest Industries and Eczel — DS Kennedy, a small firm of San Francisco brokers, makes an unofficial market in all of them. This gives a glimpse into Sir James's US interests since he controls 97 per cent of their shares.

Gaylord Holdings has sold its operating businesses and used the proceeds to pay off shareholders. Sir James received about $240 million and further small distributions are likely, according to Mr Bill McCallum, a broker with DS Kennedy. On the strength of its timber interests, Cavenham borrowed more than $200 million from Travelers, a leading US insurance company, and paid that to Sir James and minority shareholders. Even after this payout Cavenham shares are worth about $23 each, valuing Sir James's stake at nearly $300 million. In fact, the timberland assets are likely to be worth much more than this.

Add in $50 million cash taken out in the Zellerbach deal, plus a further $60 *million from selling the real estate,* and Sir James has turned the $560 million he originally invested in Zellerbach into little short of $900 million

Hawker in $28m US expansion

By Michael Tate

Hawker Siddeley Group is paying $28.5 million (£17.9 million) in cash for Aerospace Avionics, a privately-owned US specialist electronics supplier.

The move represents a further step in Hawker's expansion of its instruments and control business.

Aerospace Avionics, based in New York, develops and manufactures electronically-controlled aircraft power distribution systems, lighting systems and signal conditioning *equipment.*

It is a leader in its field and has shown consistent growth of more than 20 per cent over the last four years. Current sales are about $300 million a year.

The acquisition will complement Hawker's US offshoot, Fasco, in the electrical and electronic component field, strengthening its *position in the growing civil and* defence electronics markets.

Hawker's acquisition programme has concentrated on instrumentation and controls in the past 12 months.

The sector now accounts for about 12 per cent of turnover.

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BUSINESS SUMMARY

Brazil moves towards IMF deal on loans

Brazil, the Third World's largest debtor, is showing signs of rapprochement with the international financial community, after months of stalement on debt negotations. Senhor Luiz Carlos Bresser Pereira, the Finance Minister, said Brazil was prepared to end a testy impasse with foreign creditors by striking an accord with the International Monetary Fund.

He insisted, however, that any formal accord would have to **be preceded by negotiations with the country's 700 creditor banks "without interference by the IMF". Brazil's efforts to reschedule payments on its $110 billion (£69 billion) foreign debt have been stalled since February, when a moratorium was declared on the $68 billion the country owes to foreign commercial banks. But with the economy near recession and a harsh new austerity programme, it is seeking $7.2 billion in new loans.**

Housebuilder jumps 25p

Shares in Charles Church Developments, the housebuilder, rose 25p to 176p on the announcement of two large building projects worth £50 million and totalling 540 homes. Work is to start in the next three months on 300 homes at Bicester, Oxfordshire, spread over four years. The second development comprises 240 homes at Uckfield, Sussex.

£2.5m order for Acrastyle

Acrastyle, the Cumbrian company based at Ulverston, has won a £2.5 million contract from Hong Kong's main power-generating company, the China Light and Power Company, to supply control systems for use at China Light's sub-stations.

The order coincides with Acrastyle's 25th anniversary celebrations.

EEC 'yes' to takeover

The European Commission said it has approved the takeover by Monks Ferry (Shipbreaking) of St Helens, Merseyside, of the scrap metal business of George Cohen Sons and Company, part of the 600 Group.The commission said in Brussels that the merged group would be one of the largest scrap merchants in Britain, but there were larger merchants elsewhere in the European Economic Community. The new group would not be able to pursue an independent pricing policy but would have to follow international trends.

Meanwhile two proposed takeovers will not be referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission, the Department of Trade and Industry has announced. They are the proposed purchase of the National Plant Development Organization and the Plant Breeding Institute by ICI, Booker and Unilever and the proposed acquisition of a Reed International subsidiary by Unigate.

Mothercare for BHS shop

Storehouse is to open a Mothercare shop within an existing BHS store in Belfast in October. This approach is thought to have considerable potential for the group and could lead to similar changes being made to other BHS outlets. The development could have the effect of stimulating sales within the flagging BHS operation. The Mothercare shop will be run by BHS management and staff.

Profits rise at Havelock

Havelock Europa, the shopfitting group quoted on the Unlisted Securities Market, raised pretax profits from £1.1 million to £3.1 million in the year to the end of April. Sales went up from £14.3 million to almost £40 million. The company, which has a strong order book, now intends to seek a full listing for its shares. On the stock market yesterday they responded to the results with a 10p rise to 379p.

President acquisition

President Entertainments, the leisure and restaurant group, is buying the Olivers (UK) restaurant chain from Ladbroke Group for £4.71 million, to be raised through a placing of 2.14 million President shares. Olivers, a nationwide chain of 19 direct-managed and 11 franchised restaurants and bakeries, made profits of £181,000 in the year to December 25, 1986, on a turnover of £5.38 million.

Mr Robert Earl, the chairman of President, said Olivers would "provide us with the opportunity to develop the future franchising of our other restaurants.

STOCK MARKET

Heavy buying in Sears on talk of Holmes à Court bid

By Geoffrey Foster

Shares of Sears, the Selfridges and Saxone stores and William Hill betting shops group, rose to a new peak yesterday, on renewed bid speculation.

They firmed by 3.5p to 185p, after touching 188p as a hefty 11 million shares worth £20 million changed hands. Reports circulating in the market inferred that Mr Robert Holmes à Court had lost patience and decided to launch a bid for the company after recently increasing his stake to about 5.5 per cent.

Speculators have expected a bid for quite some time now, regarding Sears as an ideal break-up situation. Although its current stock market value, of more than £2.6 billion, would scare off most suitors they feel that the Australian entrepreneur's vast resources would be sufficient to swallow it.

The speculation has intensified as dealers took the view that Dewey Warren, the small insurance broker, which is the emerging Holmes à Court vehicle for a broad range of financial services, has gone cold on the idea of trying to get a bid in for the insurance broking arm of Hogg Robinson Group.

Shares of **Hogg Robinson Insurance** reflected that fact, dropping to 235p at one stage *before closing the session 11p* lower on balance at 248p.

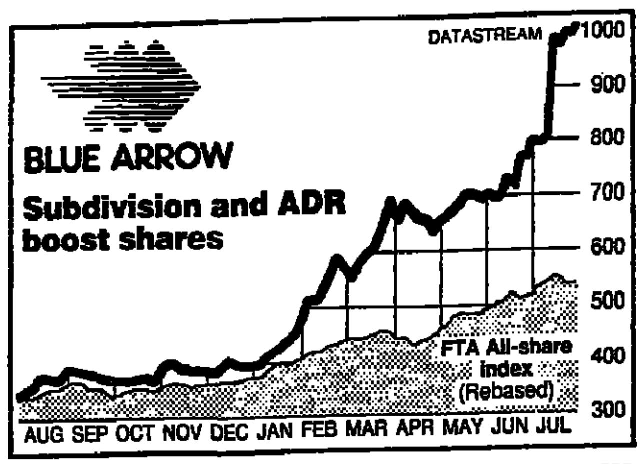
Elsewhere, the equities enjoyed another buoyant trading session, helped by Wall Street's record overnight close and the CBI report on the economy which gave no evidence to support the overheating theory.

Dealers were also confident that **Imperial Chemical Industries** will produce a bumper set of second-quarter figures today and the shares reflected this with a rise of 16p to £15.50 following a strong demand.

The FT-SE 100 share index recorded a gain of 24.5 points at one stage before closing 23.2 points up at 2,383.1, while the FT 30 share index ended 19.4 points higher at the day's best of 1,874.4.

Gilt-edged stocks, however, traded nervously and failed to hold on to early gains of 50p. Dealers remained cautious ahead of the next set of trade figures which are due early next month.

There seems to be no stopping **Blue Arrow**, Britain's largest employment agency run by Mr Tony Berry, as the shares jumped 20p to £10.18 yesterday. They should have a lot further to go in the short-term if Mr Andrew Holland, analyst at County NatWest, the broker, has anything to do with them.


BLUE ARROW

Subdivision and ADR boost shares

He still rates the shares a buy despite the 30 per cent rise they have enjoyed since the sparkling interim results announced in June. He is confident that the management will achieve success in the US, similar to that in Britain, with all its American subsidaries trading ahead of budget. The domestic recruitment side is currently enjoying a boom and the contract cleaning operation is also trading well above budget.

Although the current year's profit estimates are left unaltered at £20 million, County NatWest's pretax forecast for 1988 is upgraded substantially from £29 million to £33 million.

Mr Holland believes that the group is set to become one of the top service companies in the world, with turnover approaching £1 billion within the next year, while the forthcoming share sub-division on August 10 and the ADR facility should also whet fund managers' appetites.

Gold shares came into their own as the metal took its cue from the soaring price of platinum — which recently *broke through the $600-an-*ounce level — and advanced to $459 an ounce

Chartists apparently suggest that the $458-mark was a breakout level for gold bullion and now predict that the metal could climb all the way to $500 an ounce. **Consolidated Gold Fields**, the mining finance house, which has been mentioned of late as being on the verge of bidding for Costain, the construction group, was strongly supported. Japanese buyers were said to be interested and the close was 36p higher at a new high of £13.51.

RTZ, the other mining leader, was not to be outdone, rising 35p to £13.12. Recently the shares were the subject of a buy recommendation from Kleinwort Grieveson, the broker, and were also surrounded by stakebuilding speculation. Buying yesterday, however, was on consideration of the strong rise in precious metal prices as RTZ holds important interests in three of the world's most successful copper mines and two primary aluminium companies.

About 7 million shares in BOC, the industrial gases and healthcare company, changed hands and the close was 21p higher at 549p, after 557p, as investors greeted the announcement that the company had agreed to sell its US-based Airco carbon graphite business at book value to Horsehead Industries of the US, parent of the Great Lakes Carbon Corporation.

Warburg Securities, the broker, believes that the deal will now highlight BOC's quality *healthcare business which, in* its opinion, will provide at least 35 per cent of the group's operating profit next year.

Shares in **A&M Hire**, the USM-quoted furniture hire company, were on the move again, rising 2p to 33.5p amid whispers that someone was building a stake in the company.

Stories that Mr Andrew Greystoke has taken a stake in the group are in fact false. His reported stake in the company was just the exercise of an option which was immediately sold at below the market price.

Southend Stadium, the property developer, soared by 125p to £11.90 following the bullish tenor of the chairman's statement at the annual meeting. He proposed a 400 per cent scrip issue and told shareholders that prospects for earnings growth were encouraging.

The **Bass** brewing group sold a further 6.9 million shares in **Yorkshire Television** and now ceases to have any interest in the company having recently disposed of seven million shares for about £22 million. YTV closed 3p dearer at 313p

London Securities, the property group rejuvenated by Mr David Pearl, rose by 7p to 110p ahead of an expansion move. The word is that the board will use its 10.5 per cent stake in the bigger Estate Property Investment as a springboard for a full bid. Dealers suggest that the bid will be unwelcome and expect EPI — 5p better at 275p — to resist strongly.

ALPHA STOCKS

Company	Volume '000	Company	Volume '000	Company	Volume '000
Allied-Lyons	3,900	English China	488	Rank Org	1,800
Amstrad	1,400	Fisons	650	Rank Hovis	430
Argyll	591	Gen Accident	151	Redland	718
ASDA-MFI	8,500	GEC	7,500	Reckitt Colman	3
Ass Br Foods	201	GKN	2,100	Reed Int	2,200
BET	583	Glaxo	1,500	Reuters	516
BTR	947	Globe IT	586	RMC Group	1,600
BAT	785	Granada	2,400	RTZ	1,300
Barclays	1,000	Grand Met	1,400	Rolls-Royce	8,000
Bass	189	GUS 'A'	286	Rowntree	385
Beecham	3,200	GRE	402	Royal B of Scot	1,000
Blue Circle	1,100	Guinness	4,600	Royal Ins	1,000
BOC	7,000	Hammerson 'A'	229	Saatchi	535
Boots	2,400	Hanson	17,000	Sainsbury (J)	356
BPB Ind	139	Hawker Siddeley	2,800	Sears	11,000
BPCC	709	Hillsdown	1,800	Sedgwick Gp	780
Br Aerospace	3,700	Imp Chem Ind	1,300	Shell	2,400
Br Airways	4,700	Jaguar	609	Smith & Nephew	3,600
Brit Comm	771	Ladbroke	522	STC	1,600
Br Gas	19,000	Land Securities	1,500	Stan Chart	140
Br Petroleum	5,800	Legal & Gen	1,800	Storehouse	6,300
Br Telecom	3,400	Lloyds	2,600	Sun Alliance	211
Britoil	6,600	Lonrho	6,500	Tarmac	1,100
Bunzl	434	Marks & Spencer	5,200	TSB P/P	1,900
Burton	1,000	MEPC	704	Tesco	1,700
Cable & Wireless	3,400	Midland	1,300	Thorn EMI	5,000
Cadbury Schwep	427	Nat West	3,700	Trafalgar House	1,500
Coats Viyella	1,300	Next	5,100	Trusthouse Forte	2,600
Com Union	1,500	P & O Dfrd	154	Unigate	1,000
Cons Goldfields	1,400	Pearson	974	Unilever	647
Cookson Gp	793	Pilkington Bros	1,500	Utd Biscuits	1,400
Courtaulds	945	Plessey	2,500	Wellcome	790
Dee Corp	6,000	Prudential	551	Whitbread 'A'	1,600
Dixons Gp	895	Racal Elect	4,200	Woolworth	1,500

TEMPUS

A worthwhile buy for Thorn

Is Thorn EMI is paying too much for its first major acquisition after two years of rationalizsation and disposal?

The exit multiple of 37 certainly looks a bit rich. However, utilising US tax losses accumulated through the EMI music and scanner businesses brings the multiple down to a much more palatable 20.6.

For a business which is growing at over 25 per cent a year, this is not an unreasonable multiple, a judgement supported by the market price of Rent-A-Center shares. Thorn's $27 a share offer is a modest 17.5 per cent above the quoted price immediately prior to the offer.

Acceptance by the biggest shareholders and the so-called "Company Option" together give Thorn immediate control, acting as a sort of poison pill to deter any other bidder from spoiling the deal.

Thorn's earnings will not be significantly diluted.

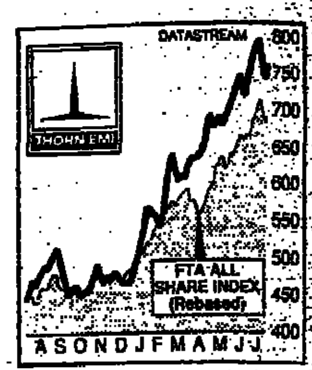
Shareholders funds on the other hand will be. The £371 million acquisition brings just £41 million of tangible assets. Merger accounting rules mean that neither a goodwill nor a share premium account need to be created, and shareholders' funds will drop from 290p a share to 248p a share.

And the *synergy of com*bining the two businesses should not be exagerated. As one of the world's biggest purchasers of consumer electronic products, the combined group may be able to buy more cheaply, but it is hard to see any other industrial benefit.

However, the acquisition fits in with Thorn's strategic objectives.

Rent-A-Center is in a part of the world Thorn wants to be in and it operates in a business Thorn knows well. It is well-managed, and can expand without the need for Thorn to inject significant new capital.

On balance, it looks like an excellent company which Thorn has been in the fortunate position to be able to buy at a fair price.



Ocean Transport

Fighting off a bid with an impressive profits forecast and then meeting it is only the first step in the long climb back into shareholders' confidence.

Ocean Transport & Trading has successfuly completed this first stage but is now embarking on the rather trickier task of demonstrating that its foundations are built on rock rather than sand.

The changing mix of profits shows that action has been taken to direct the group into less volatile businesses.

The container shipping operation, Overseas Containers was sold while bulk liquid storage specialist, Panocean, has been fully consolidated. This change accounts for half of the £2.6 million rise in land services' pretax profits to £11.4 million.

Shipping losses should remain modest.

The integration of MSAS, the international airfreight business with Jardine Cargo took longer than expected but is now fairing well.

The second half is seasonally stronger than the first and, even bearing in mind last year's need to show the group in best possible light, a strong advance is likely this year also.

Pretax profits of around £44 million including a £2 million maiden contribution from the Millwall Docks land sale, should not be ruled out.

Mr Brierley's stake has been reduced to 27.5 per cent but should keep OT&T's management on its toes. On 13.5 times earnings, the rating is up with events.

Mercantile riddle

The waters around Mercantile House are looking muddy indeed. Yesterday's results, though containing no surprises, left a number of unanswered questions such as: how much did Alexanders Laing & Cruickshank really lose? At the same time, will Quadrex make a counterbid for the company, and if so how much will it be?

Mercantile's results were unquestionably bad — but they leave scope for argument over just how generous bidders should be. AL&C has been ravaged by losses on gilt-edged stocks, but has also probably lost something on equities. A conservative estimate would put the total at about £10 million.

Poor results appear to favour the B&C bid. Before the bid, Mercantile's break-up value was pitched by analysts at around £6 per share, which B&C would argue has now been shown to be too generous.

At yesterday's prices B&C's offer, which is in paper, was worth about 840p. On the other hand, AL&C's loss was not out of line with the losses experienced in other firms. And Mercantile's money-broking operations are still extremely successful.

Quadrex can hardly win a bid — if it makes one — without Mercantile board approval. But since almost anything can happen from here, shareholders should hold on, and wait and see.

WALL STREET

Dow falls in early trade

New York (Reuter) — Share prices remained narrowly mixed in slow, early trading yesterday, lacking motivation for a significant move in either direction, traders said.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 5.42 to 2,514.35 at one stage when the transport indicator was down 1.85 to 1,056.35 and the utilities average 0.30 lower at 200.09.

But despite the falls, advancing issues led declining shares by a slight margin.

The US Treasury issues were off their highs and the dollar traded in a narrow range.

The market was awaiting today's report on leading indicators, traders said.

The volatile Japanese issues were higher with Matsushita up 7⅝ to 167, Hitachi up 5⅝ at 79⅜ and Honda up 5 at 108. Tokyo shares continued to firm overnight, lending support to the US issues.

Borden gained 2⅞ to 62½. It planned sale of petrochemical units to a limited partnership.

	Jul 28	Jul 27
AMR Cp	60⅝	61
ASA	66⅛	65⅝
Aetna Life	59	58⅝
Allied Signal	44¼	44½
Allis Chlm	2⅝	2⅜
Alcoa	59	59⅝
Amax Inc	26½	26⅝
AMR Hess	39⅝	38⅝
Am Brands	48⅞	48⅝
Am Cynmd	52⅛	52
Am Ele Pwr	27¼	27⅛
Amexs	36⅛	35⅞
Am Home	87⅝	87⅛
Am Motors	4⅝	4⅜
Am Stand	49¼	48⅞
Am Telph	31⅞	31⅝
Amoco Cp	85⅜	84⅝
Armco Steel	13⅝	13¼
Asarco Inc	30⅞	30⅝
Ashland Oil	67¼	67⅛
Atl Richfld	94⅝	93
Avon Prod	36	35⅞
Bk Boston	32⅞	32¼
Bank NY	41½	41½
Bankamer	11⅝	11⅝
Bkrs Tst NY	48¼	48⅛
Beth Steel	18¼	17⅝
Boeing	53⅝	46⅝
Boise Casc	71⅞	71⅝
Borden	59¼	57¼
Borg Warnr	45⅝	45⅝
Brist Meyr	47¾	48¼
BP	73½	71¼
Brunswick	25½	24⅜
Burl Ind	76⅝	76¼
Burl Nth	80½	80⅛
CBS	189⅞	185
CMS Engy	16⅝	16⅛
CPC Int	55½	55¼
CSX Cp	37¾	37¾
Cmpbell Sp	64¼	64⅜
Can Pacific	21⅝	21½
Caterpillar	65⅛	64¾
Centrl SW	30¾	31
Champion	35¼	35⅛
Chase Man	41¼	41⅝
Chem NY	39¼	40⅛
Chevron	60⅛	59⅞
Chrysler	38	38⅛
Cincorp	60⅛	60⅛
Clark Eq	28⅞	27⅛
Coca Cola	46⅛	47⅛
Colgate	50¼	50⅝
Columb Gas	50⅛	50⅞
Cmb'tn Eng	39⅛	39⅞
Cmwlth Edi	32¼	32½
Cons Edis	42⅞	42⅞
Consol Ng	43⅞	44⅝
Cont Data	26⅞	26⅝
Corning Gl	67	66⅞
Crane	32¼	31⅛
Curtiss Wrt	65⅛	n.a
Data Genl	31⅛	31⅛
Deere Co	31⅛	31⅛
Delta Air	55⅝	55⅛
Detroit Edi	15¼	15⅜
Digital Eq	160⅛	163½
Disney	72⅛	71⅝
Dow Chem	87¼	88⅛
Dressr Ind	33⅛	32⅞
Dupont	123⅛	124½
Duke Pwr	44	44
East Kodak	90⅝	88⅛
Eaton Cp	96⅝	97
Emerson El	110⅛	108⅛
Emery Air	13⅝	14⅛
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	Jul 28	Jul 27
Firestone	44¼	43⅝
Fst Chicago	29⅝	29¾
Fst Int Bncp	58½	59
Fst Penn C	10⅛	10¼
FT Wachva	38¼	37⅞
Ford Motor	101⅜	102⅛
GAF Cp	53	53⅞
GTE Cp	38¼	38⅝
Gen Cp	109	109¼
Gn Dynam	67⅝	67⅝
Gen Electric	57⅝	57
Gen Inst	36⅞	36⅝
Gen Mills	55⅝	54½
Gen Motors	86	86½
Gen Pub Ut	25⅛	25¼
Genesco	6⅛	6⅝
Georgia Pac	42⅝	42¼
Gillette	41⅝	42½
Goodrich	55⅝	55¼
Goodyear	72¼	69½
Gould Inc	22⅛	21
Grace Co	67⅝	66¼
Grt Atl Pac	38¼	39⅜
Greyhnd	41⅜	41⅜
Gruman	29¼	28¼
Gulf & West	86⅛	86⅝
Heinz	48⅝	48⅜
Hercules	64	64⅝
Hewlett Pk	61¾	60¾
Honeywell	82¾	82
IC Ind	36¼	36⅞
ITT Cp	62½	62⅛
INCO	20¼	20⅛
Ing Rand Wl	39¾	38½
Inland Steel	32⅝	31⅜
IBM	161⅜	162¼
Int Paper	45⅝	45⅝
Irving Bk	46⅜	47⅜
Jhsn & Jhsn	93⅝	93⅜
K Mart	44¾	45¼
Kaisertech	22	22½
Kerr McGee	39⅝	38¾
Kimbrly Clrk	55¼	54⅜
Kraft	58¼	58⅝
Kroger	38⅝	38
LTV Cp	4⅜	4½
Litton	101⅜	101
Lockheed	56	55¼
Lucky Str	33¼	32⅞
Man H'nver	43⅜	42¾
Manville	3⅜	3⅜
Mapco	56	56⅝
Marine Mid	75⅝	76
Mt Marieta	49¼	49¼
Masco	35½	34⅞
Mcdonalds	54⅝	54¾
McDonnell	73½	73
Mead Cp	38⅝	38⅞
Merck	188	184
Minsta Mng	70⅝	72⅛
Mobil	52⅝	51⅛
Monsanto	89⅝	89⅜
Morgan Jp	48⅛	47½
Motorola	56⅝	56⅛
NCR	78¼	77¾
NL Indstrs	8⅝	8¾
Nat Distill	66½	67
Nat Md Ent	27½	27⅝
Nat Semi	12¾	13
Norfolk Sth	35⅛	34¾
NW Bancrp	42⅛	43¼
Occid Petl	37⅝	37
Ogden Cp	33⅝	34⅛
Olin Cp	52¼	51⅛
PPG Ind	47⅛	47⅛
Pac Gas El	19⅛	19⅛
Pan Am	4⅛	4⅛
Penney JC	57	57⅛
Pennzoil	73⅝	73⅝

	Jul 28	Jul 27
Pepsico	38⅝	38½
Pfizer	72⅝	72⅝
Phelps Dod	43⅜	43¼
Philip Mor	95⅝	95⅜
Philip Ptrl	17½	16¼
Polaroid	31⅛	32⅝
Primerica	44⅜	42¾
Proct Gble	91⅝	91⅛
Pub Svc Eg	24¾	24⅞
Raytheon	79⅛	77⅝
Rynlds Metl	51	51¾
Rockwell Int	27½	26½
Royal Dutch	136⅝	134⅜
SFE Sopac	52¾	52⅝
Sara Lee	43½	43⅛
Schlumb	48½	47⅞
Scott Pap	76¾	75⅝
Seagram	77⅛	77
Sears Roeb	51½	51⅝
Shell Trans	93¾	91⅝
Singer	45⅛	44¼
Smith Beck	66⅝	66⅝
Sony Cp	30¼	29⅝
Sth Cal Edi	30⅝	30⅝
SW Bell	36⅝	36¾
Squibb	89	87⅝
Sterl Drug	64⅜	64¼
Stevens JP	46⅝	47⅜
Sun Comp	65	64⅝
TRW Inc	58½	57⅝
Teledyne	365⅛	367½
Tenneco	52⅛	51⅞
Texaco	46⅝	46⅝
Tex Eastn	38⅝	38⅛
Texas Inst	60⅛	60⅝
Tex Util	31½	31⅝
Textron	35⅝	35¾
Travelers	45⅝	45⅝
USG	39⅝	37¼
USX Cp	37½	37
Unilever Plc	43⅜	42⅝
Un Carbide	28⅝	26⅝
Un Pac Cp	82⅛	82⅝
Unisys Cp	129⅝	130¾
Utd Brands	39¾	39⅜
Utd Tech	55¾	55
Unocal	41¼	40⅝
Walter Jim	61½	58½
Warn Lamb	78⅛	76⅝
Wells Far	56	54⅝
Westg El	66½	65⅝
Weyerhsr	48¼	48⅜
Whirlpool	34⅝	34½
Woolworth	56⅝	56⅝
Xerox Cp	74⅛	74¾
Zenith	26½	28⅜

CANADIAN PRICES

Agnico Eag	35¾	35½
Alcan Alum	45	45¾
Algoma Stl	18⅝	18½
Can Pacific	28¾	28⅝
Cominco	20¾	20⅜
Con Bathrst	19¾	19⅛
Hawk S Can	28⅝	28
Hud Bay M	25½	25
Imasco	36½	36⅝
Imperial Oil	77¼	75⅛
Int Pipe	53⅝	54⅜
Royl Trstco	17⅜	17⅝
Seagram	102⅝	102⅝
Shelco A	26⅛	26⅛
Thmsn N A	32⅛	32⅛
Varity Cp	3 35	3 20
WCT	18⅛	19
Weston	43⅝	43⅝

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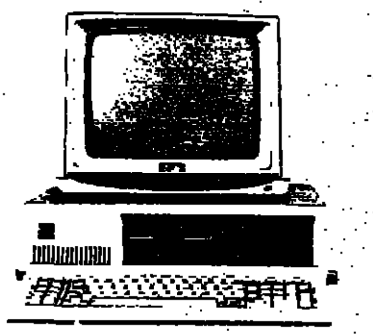

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David S Smith plans more expansion on £24m profit

By Michael Tate

The growth of paper and packaging group David S Smith (Holdings) continued in the year to end-April, with profits virtually quadrupling from £6.21 million to £24.23 million, on turnover up from £38.45 million to £201.2 million.

Smith has been transformed since Mr Richard Brewster, the former Giltspur accountant, took the helm of what was a tiny Welsh cigarette-carton maker in August 1983. It paid £13.5 million for Western Board Mills in 1984, £15 million for Abbitrin, a corrugated cardboard maker, in 1985, and a year ago acquired St Regis Paper for £74 million.

Having establishing itself as a leading force in the paper and packaging industry, Smith plans to diversify into "media communications" – likely to involve everything from publishing to exhibitions, where both Mr Brewster and Mr Bryan Hope, brought in from Reed International, cut their teeth.

Mr Brewster says he will make "strategic acquisitions, which will build a sound corporate base and achieve economies of scale."

Finance is unlikely to prove a problem. Not only has the St Regis acquisition transformed Smith's size and status in the market place, but it has also improved the cash flow and strengthened the balance sheet. Smith has also revalued its properties, to show a surplus of £22.4 million, and arranged a £30 million credit facility.

Mr Brewster said the year was favourable for paper manufacturing, with substantial savings on both energy and raw material costs. Energy prices, however, have since risen and raw materials could follow suit.

The market for corrugated packaging improved by only 3 per cent, but the company's specialist activities enjoyed greater volume growth and improved efficiency of production.

The Abbey Corrugated division, which dominates the corrugated sheet market, is increasing capacity by 50 per cent, after failing to keep pace with demand last year.

Smith shares, up from 50p when Mr Brewster arrived, were on the move again yesterday, rising 31p to 473p, as the profits topped analysts' forecasts by about £2 million.

Earnings per share are 24p against 12.5p, and the company is paying a 3.5p final dividend, making 5.25p for the year against 4.2p.

Top team boosted at Thomson

By Derek Harris, Industrial Editor

Thomson Travel is strengthening its top executive team by promoting Mr Paul Brett, managing director of the Thomson Holidays subsidiary, to the newly created post of deputy managing director.

The move comes as Thomson is forecasting continuing strong sales growth, with Thomson Holidays experiencing a large surge in August package holiday sales.

There has been a big question mark over how many peak-period holidays might have to be sold off by tour operators at heavy discounts after slack bookings in June.

Mr Brett, aged 43, takes up his appointment in September after two-and-a-half years at Thomson Holidays, when sales more than doubled to an expected 3.5 million packages this year.

He was previously in charge of two other Thomson Travel subsidiaries, the Portland Holidays direct-sell operation and the Lunn Poly retail agency chain.

He will be replaced at Thomson Holidays by Mr Charles Newbold, marketing director. Mr Newbold has been with Thomson since 1971, except for a break from the company in the mid-Seventies when he decided to learn about the sharp end of business by running a fish and chip shop at Cairns in Queensland, Australia, for a year.

Mr Roger Davies, chairman and chief executive of Thomson Travel, said: "With group annual sales now exceeding £1 billion, and continuing strong growth forecasts, some strengthening of the group directorate was desirable."

Peak period package holiday sales at Thomson Holidays were up almost 130 per cent last week on the same time last year.

On an upward flight: Paul Brett of Thomson Travel

Sock Shop strides over to New York

By Cliff Feltham

American tourists just love Sock Shop, at least according to Ms Sophie Mirman, who started the business four years ago and floated it on the stock market with a value of more than £27 million in May.

Now she is opening her first shop in New York in October with plans for others there by the end of the year.

She said yesterday: "We are going to be very cautious and take it very carefully but I am convinced it is going to be successful."

"We have looked at the American market very closely. What's more, we have seen the reaction of American tourists in this country. They think the idea of our shops is great."

Sock Shop is moving into the US in a joint venture with Mr Barney Goodman, who helped set up the Mothercare business in Britain before it sold out to Sir Terence Conran's Habitat group.

Between them, they are setting up Sock Shop International Inc with capital of £109,000. Mr Goodman will be putting up £31,000 in return for a 15 per cent stake.

The first shop, of 700 sq ft – about the size of its larger units in Britain – will be in the heart of Manhattan. Two other shops should open before the end of the year.

Ms Mirman, who started her working life as a secretary at Marks and Spencer, opened the first Sock Shop in 1983 in Knightsbridge. By the end of this year there should be 60 outlets.

The shares rose 5p to 255p, more than double the original offer price, valuing the business at £56 million.

COMMENT

City Panel discovers goodness in Guinness

While Department of Trade inspectors are continuing their investigation into the Guinness takeover of Distillers, the Takeover Panel has understandably moved to cover some of the cracks that the conduct of the bid exposed.

Yesterday's Panel statement, extending the responsibility of directors involved in a takeover situation, has Guinness written large on it. Guinness left responsibility for the takeover in the hands of a trio of directors.

Short of having statutory regulation of takeovers with powers for the Panel to launch spot checks of a company and its books, it is virtually impossible to prevent the deliberate breaches of the Code that were perpetrated in the Distillers takeover. And it is doubtful if anything can prevent the "nod and a wink" deals that are never documented and fall just short of legal commitments.

Nevertheless, the Panel has produced rules – on disclosure of dealings and now directors' responsibilities – which are aimed at facilitating detection of Code breaches.

The wider information and responsibility are spread among directors, the more likely it is that one of them will object or, in extreme cases, unilaterally consult the Panel, in cases where genuine conflicts emerge.

The Code already requires all takeover documents to contain a statement from directors accepting responsibility for the accuracy and completeness of the information they contain.

The new rules, however, go much further: they focus directors' minds on the conduct of an entire takeover bid or defence. They make clear even "understandings" must be revealed to the board.

The initiative has come from the formidable legal brain of Mr Robert Alexander QC, the new chairman of the Panel. Mr Alexander seems to think that it spells the end for the ineffective generalist, non-executive director sitting on the boards of public companies.

Moreover, a company's advisers face a more serious threat if they do not ensure compliance. The ultimate sanction under the Financial Services Act is the loss of their licence to conduct investment business.

Yesterday's Code changes, like those announced in January, are born of the bitter experience of the Guinness affair. With greater visibility in the market and broader reponsibility in the boardroom, the Panel has reduced, but not entirely removed, the opportunity to manipulate the conduct of takeover battles unfairly.

Small flame turned on Gas

Shareholders in British Gas should not lose any sleep over the private monopoly's dispute with its regulator Ofgas. Sir Denis Rooke may have looked forward, in his recent chairman's statement, to working constructively with James McKinnon, the director-general of gas supply. But he was well aware that there is bound to be some jockeying for position in the early days, as regulators try to show they mean business. Indeed, this dispute has been simmering since May.

British Telecom had a tough lesson when Oftel's Professor Bryan Carsberg imposed much lower tariffs for bulk line capacity supplied to nascent rival Mercury than BT had bargained for. But the existence of a competitor (together with the much simpler pricing formula) gives Oftel muscle largely unavailable to Ofgas.

Maximum tariff gas prices allow the cost of gas to British Gas to be passed on fully and British Gas is responsible for forecasting its average gas cost for the current year in setting the (lower) prices it announced in June. Ofgas, as its own pamphlet accepts, has an essentially retrospective authority in monitoring prices once the actual gas costs are known at year end.

Through the terms of the authorization of British Gas under the Gas Act, however, the director-general has to be "reasonably satisfied" that forecasts have been properly prepared on a consistent basis. Ofgas wants more detail of the accounting arithmetic behind the gas cost forecast than Sir Denis is prepared to provide.

The authorization does not specify such minutiae. But the reason for the dispute is clear enough. Ofgas does not think British Gas is fiddling the figures but argues that it cannot know in future years if forecasts are being made on a consistent basis unless it has as much detail as possible in year one. British Gas pleads commercial confidentiality, since leaks might undermine negotiations with suppliers. Behind that, however, Sir Denis is not the sort of man who would like Ofgas accountants looking over his shoulder all the time.

Yet British Gas has little chance of keeping Ofgas away. Despite the vigour of Oftel where it can take the initiative, it has become increasingly plain that BT's licence was too lax and the public is unhappy about BT's performance.

Ofgas can seek a revision of the authorization from the Monopolies Commission, or sue (or threaten to sue) British Gas for non-performance of its contract. Either way, Sir Denis will surely have to pay for his monopoly and comparative freedom from regulation with the tiny price of having his forecasts second-guessed by Ofgas accountants.

Platinum soars to two-month high

The platinum price was up sharply for the second day running yesterday, rising to $608.75 an ounce, its highest level for two months.

The metal gained more than $25 this week after the European Economic Community agreed to tighten controls on motor vehicle emissions.

The European car industry, already meeting tougher exhaust laws in the US and West Germany, increased its use of platinum by 70 per cent last year to 120,000oz. The latest EEC requirements call for new cars with a capacity of more than two litres to be fitted with catalytic converters from next October.

While there is still some uncertainty over how strictly individual EEC member states will apply the controls, demand for platinum in Europe will increase, dealers said.

Rising oil prices in the wake of concern over the Middle East have been another important factor behind the increases in all precious metal prices.

A report quoting Tokyo trade sources as forecasting a 50 per cent rise in Japanese platinum demand this year also gave some support.

Dealers added that platinum has tended to be left behind, with attention focused on gold and silver.

Court clears Government over £6m Tin Council debt

The Government was cleared in the High Court yesterday of any liability for the £6 million owed by the insolvent International Tin Council to Maclaine Watson, the London Metal Exchange trader.

Mr Justice Millett, giving judgment on one of a series of court moves by Maclaine Watson to recover its loss from the ITC, ruled that the council had incurred the liability on its own behalf without engaging the liabilities of its members, which include the Government.

The judge said it was "without regret" that he agreed to strike out and dismiss Maclaine Watson's action against the Department of Trade and Industry, who represented the Government.

He said Maclaine Watson, and others like them, gave credit to the ITC – not to the member states – and looked to the ITC alone for payment.

"In the eyes of many, the conduct of the member states is unacceptable; but if they are to be criticized, it is not for their failure to pay the creditors directly, but for their failure to put the ITC in funds to discharge the obligations they allowed it to incur," said the judge.

He rejected Maclaine Watson's argument that the Government was liable for the ITC debts because the ITC was "no more than a convenient name for its members."

The ITC had a separate legal personality, and the legal capacity to sue and be sued had been conferred on the ITC itself and not on its members, he said.

The ITC could not take "on or off at will" the attributes with which it had been endowed by Parliament.

"The result is that the ITC exists as a separate legal entity distinct from its members," said the judge.

The ruling was the last of a series of judgments given by Mr Justice Millett in Tin Council-related actions.

Falling income threat to CTNs

By Derek Harris
Industrial Editor

Drastic falls in revenue are threatening Britain's 47,000 confectionery, tobacconist and newsagent shops already declining by 400 a year.

This warning comes from Mintel, the retail analysts, whose latest survey underlines the dangers to the sector, despite its finding that a third of consumers visit a CTN at least once a day.

The value of CTN sales is barely keeping up with inflation, according to Mintel.

The problem for the traditional CTN is that so many other outlets – grocers, garages and off-licences among them – are selling goods like tobacco and confectionery. Inroads are also being made by convenience store chains.

Newspapers and magazines still account for 85 per cent of CTN sales, but it is increasingly likely that these will be distributed by a wider variety of outlets.

The second biggest selling line in CTNs is confectionery, followed by cards and stationery, wrapping paper, tobacco and soft drinks. The swing to healthier lifestyles could increasingly affect sales of some of these goods.

Many leading CTN chains are aware of the need for changes. Plans include extension of trading hours and improved product mixes, Mintel was told. Others warned that the buying power of multiples would inevitably squeeze more independent outlets out of existence, and believed the only survival route was to adopt the convenience approach to the business.

The only way for CTNs to avoid drastic falls in revenues will be to match the diversification of the new competitors which have emerged, together with exploration of new distribution channels, Mintel suggests.

Some CTNs have already responded by adding services like videotape libraries and fast film processing. But the small size of many CTNs may make such moves difficult.

The CTN Trade: £195 from Mintel Publications, 7 Arundel Street, London WC2R 3DR.

Goodison in the glasshouse

Stock Exchange chairman Sir Nicholas Goodison, who has put up City backs by threatening, in his recent letter to member firms, the imposition of fines in cases of "outstanding unsettled bargains", ought to get his own back garden in order first. Leading market maker Phillips & Drew is, I hear, refusing to transact any further business with stockbroker Quilter Goodison for the time being, in certain gilt-edged stocks. This unusual halt to business has been called following prolonged and complicated technical problems in Quilter's back office. A number of market-makers feel angry that the Stock Exchange appears to be laying all the blame for the growing settlement and dealing problems at their door. "After all, it was the Exchange that imposed the new system on us," complains one aggrieved trader. They are also concerned that best execution of bargains is no longer possible, and say that it is the small investor who suffers. One broker tells me how he tried to execute a buy order for 50,000 shares when the price on Seaq was 235/240p. After trying in vain to get through for half an hour he was forced to deal with a firm quoting a price 10p higher.

● **Despite rumours of impending staff cutbacks, Bob Semple, author of Wood Mackenzie's market research on UK equities, is leaving to join US securities house Shearson Lehman.**

THE TIMES CITY DIARY

Climb every mountain

BR's Network Southeast is not only trying to get commuters to work on time these days, it has apparently started psyching up passengers to cope better with their City day. Travellers on the Ashford to Cannon Street service (arrival 9.15 am) were treated yesterday to excerpts over the intercom from the works of Reinhold Messner, the no-oxygen climber of the world's highest peaks. Strive to reach the top, aided only by sheer determination in the most adverse conditions, was his message. One bemused City gent suggested that BR might be thinking of people who work at the NatWest tower.

Racy image

The £3 million acquisition of interior design firm Mirabelle Designs by USM-quoted Blanchards should certainly add glamour to the group. Mirabelle founder Peter Inston, who will be staying on as managing director, last year raced the Orient Express to Venice in a bet with Sea Containers boss Jim Sherwood – who owns the luxury train – and won. Driving a Ferrari, Inston, aged 43, completed the drive from Victoria Station in 1½ days, some two hours ahead of the train. "The bet was from station to station but since the station in Venice is in the middle of the Grand Canal the best I could do was hire a barge outside the station and get the car lifted on board," he says. More conservative Blanchard shareholders will be relieved to learn that Inston has now acquired a 1904 Oldsmobile and will restrict himself to the London to Brighton run.

"Alternatively we could hit the acquisition trail"

● **Sir Adam Thomson is not the only member of the British Caledonian board who stands to make more than £2.5 million from shares and share options if the merger with British Airways goes through. Fellow director Dennis Walter also stands to make at least £2.5 million and Alastair Pugh will be more than £1 million richer.**

Up in smoke

Only advertising men could find defeat so inspiring. Robin Wight, chairman of ad agency Wight Collins Rutherford Scott, unsuccessfully but valiantly fought the Bishop Auckland seat in County Durham for the Tories during the general election, with the Labour candidate winning by an increased majority of 7,000 votes. Hearing the news of his defeat, rival ad firm Collett Dickenson Pearce, responsible for those Hamlet cigar advertisements, asked non-smoker Wight to take part in their ad campaign for the small cigar and he graciously agreed. Wight's face, complete with hang-dog expression, crumpled Tory rosette and cigar in hand, can now be seen looking down from hoardings all over the Bishop Auckland constituency with the caption "Happiness is a cigar called Hamlet."

Starry-eyed

Six months ago the English Tourist Board started handing out crown symbols to hotels according to their level of facilities. But be warned – the new criteria are different to the star system used by the motoring organizations. So much so that among the 9,000 hotels already in the crown scheme it's apparently possible to find three-star hotels with five crowns and a lot more five-crown hotels than five-star ones. All very confusing for the poor old consumer.

Carol Leonard

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Connells Estate Agents	11/12/85	19/2/86	167p	217p	£66,775
Wire & Plastics	25/2/86	19/3/86	388p	478p	£78,561
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US firm to buy Airco offshoot from BOC

The BOC Group has signed a letter of intent to sell its US-based Airco carbon graphite business at book value to Horsehead Industries, of the US. The sale is subject to approvals from US anti-trust agencies.

BOC will keep its profitable needle coke business and establish a contract with Horshead Industries to supply needle coke from its Seadrift, Texas, facility.

In brief

- **PLASTIC CONSTRUCTIONS:** Six months to March 31. With figures in £000: Turnover 8,909 (9,127). Pretax profit 212 (237). Earnings per share 2.43p (3p).
- **BLANCHARDS:** Conditional agreement has been reached *with Mr P Inston and his wife to* acquire Mirabelle Designs. The price will be 757,500 new ordinary shares and the issue of loan notes. The terms of the loan notes require additional ordinaries to be issued (unless Blanchards elects to pay cash) to the vendors, depending on profits of Mirabelle. Blanchards is also raising £750,000 by the issue of a further 468,750 new ordinaries which have been conditionally placed with institutional investors at 160p each.
- **RADIUS:** Half-year to May 31. Interim dividend 1.25p (1p). With figures in £000: Turnover 4,704 (3,686). Pretax profit 865 (681). Earnings per share 5.8p (4.6p).
- **WILLAIRE SYSTEMS:** The company is buying Astec Environmental Systems. The basic price is £600,000, based on profits for 1987, rising to £900,000, also based on profits. In addition, up to a further £400,000 may become payable, to be determined by profits. Willaire has agreed to acquire from Britannia Security its 75 per cent holding in Heatsense Cables. This is conditional on Willaire shareholders' approval as Mr Anthony Record is a director of Willaire and Britannia.
- **JOSEPH WEBB:** Two subsidiaries, Joseph Webb (East Anglia) and Holmarine, have entered into an agreement with Bourne Leisure (Hopton) for the disposal of their Hopton, Norfolk, summer holiday village, for £1.5 million in cash. A further £250,000 will be paid, conditional on Bourne obtaining planning permission on five acres of adjoining land already owned by it.
- **QUESTEL:** Half-year to April 30. Interim dividend 2.4p (2.2p). With figures in £000: Turnover 2,038 (1,733). Pretax profit 555 (459). Earnings per share 8.1p (6.4p).
- **PADANG SENANG HOLDINGS:** Six months to March 31. With figures in £000: Turnover 279 (245). Pretax profit 50 (33). Earnings per share 0.53p (0.34p).
- **TACE:** Six months to March 31. Interim dividend 3p (2.54p). With figures in £000: Turnover 12,277 (11,375). Pretax profit 1,802 (1,709). Earnings per share 12.90 (14.5p). Increased profits are expected in the second half, the board reports.
- **BCE HOLDINGS:** Year to March 31. With figures in £000. Final dividend 0.6p. With figures in £000: Turnover 9,225 (11,135). Pretax profit 1,107 (867). Earnings per share 2.9p (2.5p).
- **GORING KERR:** Half-year to March 31. Interim dividend 4.35p (3.85p). With figures in £000. Turnover 4,298 (3,793). Pretax profit 1,100 (1,022). Earnings per share 11.83p (10.45p). Increased profits are expected in the second half, the board reports.

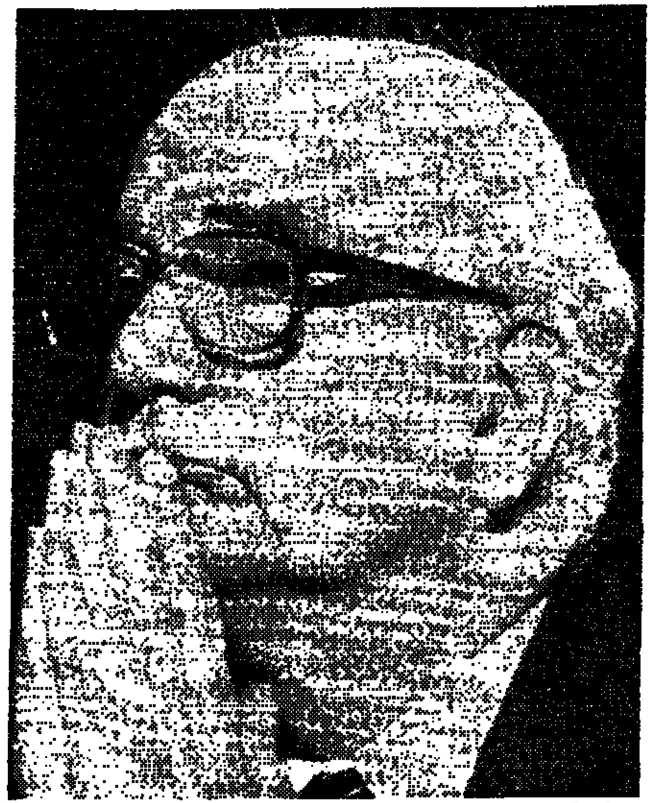
American unions asked for pay help to beat Japanese

From Bailey Morris
Washington

American car workers are holding historic talks with General Motors Corporation and the Ford Motor Company that are expected to set the tone of competitiveness in the US industry for the rest of the century.

Buffeted by a flood of quality imports from Japan and other Asian countries, the industry has embarked on a retrenchment plan that will force General Motors to reduce its workforce by 30,000 over the next decade. For the industry as a whole, there were projections that the workforce must be cut in half by the year 2000.

It is within this context that the big companies are seeking dramatic wage concessions *from United Auto Workers*, the car workers' union, in addition to more flexible staffing arrangements. Their goal is to eradicate the $6 an hour cost advantage enjoyed by Japanese companies.



Paul Volcker: salaries must be kept down to check inflation

Also influencing the talks are the warnings given by Mr Paul Volcker, the outgoing chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, that wage and price settlements must continue to be kept down to prevent a resurgence of inflation. Mr Volcker cited progress in these areas over the past six years as one of the primary reasons inflation has been held at low levels.

The union, also citing the Japanese model, is seeking unprecedented levels of job security that would mirror the Japanese system of lifetime security that has produced a stable, committed workforce.

Notably absent from the negotiations is the atmosphere of confrontation and hostility that has characterized talks between car workers and management over the past decade.

Both sides have indicated their intention of adopting a co-operative approach that they hope will produce a new contract by September 14 when the present agreements expire.

"For the first time, there appears to be a broader recognition that we are in this retrenchment together and must therefore work together to build the car companies of the future," said a high-level union official.

A guiding factor in the talks will be the agreement between the car workers and the management of New United Motors Manufacturing Inc, a joint venture in California of GM and Toyota.

The agreement, again using the Japanese model, is built on a co-operative, incentive approach. Employees and managers are divided into small teams to ensure greater job involvement and greater flexibility in defining work and production goals. The approach has been so effective in boosting productivity that it has already spread to traditional GM and Ford assembly-line plants.

But there are still areas of contention, expected to produce heated, 11th-hour negotiations and last-minute voting by the UAW rank-and-file.

These include a two-tier wage proposal by the companies, allowing them to hire new workers at a lower salary scale. In addition, the companies want to limit or phase out altogether automatic cost-of-living increases.

The union's demands for greater job security are likely to be accepted for the first time but would fall far below the lifetime guarantees sought by the UAW, officials said.

Another area of contention is likely to be the huge management bonuses the big companies have paid to top executives. Union officials want profit sharing for both management and workers to be discussed at the bargaining table.

Commodity fund 'wins backing'

Geneva (Reuter) — The United Nations Common Fund for commodities has now received enough pledges of support to allow it to come into force, senior UN officials said yesterday.

Countries which have either ratified the fund, or told the current session of the UN Conference on Trade and Development that they intend to ratify it, have pledged 66.95 per cent of its capital.

Two thirds of the $470 million (£294 million) pool aimed at steadying commodity prices had to be pledged before it could be activated.

The Peruvian vice-minister for foreign trade, Señor José Ley Elias, ratified the fund on behalf of his country, pledging 0.33 per cent of its capital.

Mr Kenneth Dadzie, Unctad's Secretary-General from Ghana, said that once necessary legal steps were completed the countries involved would meet to discuss details of activating the fund.

So far only cocoa and rubber have formal stabilization agreements that would enable them to take advantage of the fund.

Attention is now focused on the so-called second window of voluntary contributions to promote research projects, officials said. About $250 million has already been pledged for this part of the fund.

Scottish airports firm makes £463,000 profit

Highlands and Islands Airports Limited, which runs eight small Scottish airports, made an operating profit of £463,000 on a turnover of £8 million. This, however, was after a grant of £2.9 million from the Scottish Development Department. The operating surplus will be carried over to reserves.

The company was established in March last year as a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Civil Aviation Authority to operate the airports.

Mr Robert Crawford, the chairman, yesterday said the company's rates bill had amounted to £1.25 million, representing a "disproportionate" part of the operating costs — 18 per cent.

"Excepting Sumburgh (the Shetland's airport), these airports are provided at a loss solely to serve their communities." Mr Crawford confirmed that the company had appealed against the assessment.

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MBS in £7.88m deal for Combro

By Michael Tate

Former IBM executives Mr Owen Williams and Mr Stafford Taylor, who hauled MBS, the former Micro Business Systems, from the brink of disaster last year, are making their first big acquisition.

They are buying the Manchester-based Combro, one of IBM's largest microcomputer distributors in Europe, for £7.88 million. The deal involves the issue of 5.14 million shares, of which 2 million will be placed by the vendors. At the same time MBS is raising a further £1.2 million through the issue of a further 857,000 shares to pay for the acquisition and integration costs.

Combro's owners have warranted that profits for the year ended last month will be not less than £900,000, and that net assets at June 30 were £1.05 million.

MBS, which claims to be Britain's largest personal computer distributor, said yesterday that the deal "strongly reflects the objective we set ourselves 18 months ago of making MBS the most efficient distributor of microcomputer products in the UK."

The statement added that the group had continued its recovery with all main activities achieving higher trading volumes, but warned that there would again be no interim dividend.

Analysts have predicted profits of £5 million for MBS in the current year, compared with £937,000 in 1986 and losses of £3.4 million in the previous year.

APPOINTMENTS

Boardroom posts for Sir Kenneth Newman

Control Risks Group: **Sir Kenneth Newman**, previously Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, joins the boards of Control Risks and Control Risks Response Services from August 1. **Mr JG van der Hoek** joins the boards of Control Risks Prevention Services and Control Risks Response Services.

Carr Boyd Minerals: **Mr Bill Galbraith**, chairman and managing director, is to retire. He will remain as a non-executive director. **Dr John Daniels** becomes executive chairman and **Mr Colin Loosemore** is made managing director.

Hill Minerals: **Mr Tony Hall** has been appointed managing director, succeeding **Mr Colin Loosemore** who will remain as a non-executive director.

Harrisons & Crosfield: **Mr Peter Simmonds** becomes a director from August 1.

Sir Kenneth: director of Control Risks companies

Barclays Bank: **Mr James Biello** has been made senior vice-president of the Special Industries Group's corporate division in New York. **Mr Ian Mackrell** becomes senior vice-president of Energy, corporate division in New York, and deputy head of the bank's international energy division.

Barclays de Zoete Wedd Holdings: **Mr Peter Holloway** joins the board.

Cleanaway: **Mr Peter Heath** has been appointed managing director.

Biddle & Co: **Mr Martin Webster**, **Mr Jonathan Reardon** and **Mr Kim Walker** become partners.

Greenwell Montagu Securities: **Mr Richard Goulding** becomes finance director, **Mr Rod Duke** becomes operations director and **Mr Tom Pederson** becomes director of the Asia-Pacific region.

Copthorne Hotels: **Mr Peter Brainch** becomes vice-president of marketing.

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

	Series	Calls			Puts		
		Oct	Jan	Apr	Oct	Jan	Apr
Allied Lyons (*458)	390	80	92	—	2	5	—
	420	55	70	80	7	14	16
	460	30	47	58	22	32	35
British Airways (*161)	140	26	36	42	4	9	11
	160	14	26	34	11	18	20
	180	7	16	23	25	29	31
British Comm (*555)	500	78	93	108	9	17	22
	550	45	63	80	27	35	40
	600	22	38	53	57	65	70
British Gas (*179)	165	22	30	—	5	9	—
	180	13	21	30	11	15	19
	200	5½	13	20	26	30	33
BP (*384)	360	39	53	66	12	18	24
	390	23	41	55	25	33	41
	420	11	29	—	46	54	—
Britoil (*328)	280	56	67	—	5	10	—
	300	41	54	64	10	16	20
	330	27	40	49	22	27	34
Cons Gold (*1349)	1250	165	200	230	40	70	80
	1300	135	175	205	65	95	105
	1350	110	155	180	95	115	125
Courtaulds (*499)	420	92	102	—	2	3	—
	460	56	70	84	5	10	16
	500	32	46	62	22	26	34
	550	12	30	42	54	58	64
Com Union (*375)	330	56	65	—	5	8	—
	360	34	45	55	14	18	21
	390	16	26	35	28	31	35
Cable & Wire (*432)	360	82	97	110	2½	10	15
	390	55	75	85	8	15	27
	420	35	55	62	20	30	40
	460	18	35	—	43	48	—
GEC (*240)	220	28	38	49	4	9	13
	240	17	27	36	13	17	22
	260	9	18	27	26	30	34
Grand Met (*574)	460	120	135	—	1	2½	—
	500	83	100	—	4	8	—
	550	45	65	75	18	25	30
	600	22	40	53	45	50	55
ICI (*1551)	1400	170	210	—	15	28	—
	1450	135	175	205	25	40	53
	1500	100	145	170	45	58	70
	1550	67	115	140	68	80	95
Land Securities (*581)	500	90	110	125	7	17	18
	550	55	75	93	17	27	35
	600	27	47	65	38	48	57
Marks & Spen (*266)	240	36	43	49	5	9	13
	260	22	31	39	11	15	21
	280	12	20	—	22	25	—
Rolls Royce (*120)	110	18	23	27	4	7	9
	120	12	18	22	9	13	15
	130	8	12	—	16	18	—
	140	4	9	—	23	23	—
Shell Trans (*1464)	1400	117	170	—	38	57	—
	1450	88	138	170	55	78	92
	1500	60	115	147	88	107	127
Trafalgar House (*423)	390	50	58	70	8	13	20
	420	25	40	53	17	28	35
	460	10	22	35	45	55	62
TSB (*91)	80	15½	19	—	2	2½	—
	90	8½	13	17	4½	5½	6½
	100	4	8½	11½	11	12	13
Woolworth (*408)	400	35	50	—	16	28	—
	425	19	32	—	35	42	—
	450	9	17	—	55	60	—
	500	3	10	—	102	102	—
	Series	Oct	Jan	Apr	Oct	Jan	Apr
Bass (*996)	950	80	105	125	13	30	38
	1000	50	78	95	35	48	65
	1050	28	55	80	70	85	95
GKN (*392)	330	67	75	83	3	7	10
	360	43	53	63	9	13	18
	390	26	37	46	22	25	28
	420	15	25	33	42	45	48
Jaguar (*589)	500	100	120	135	5	13	15
	550	63	82	100	15	25	35
	600	32	52	70	37	43	50
	Series	Sep	Dec	Mar	Sep	Dec	Mar
Amstrad (*181)	160	27	36	44	4	8	11
	180	14	24	33	11	15	22
	200	7	16	21	23	26	32
Beecham (*567)	460	115	125	—	2	5	—
	500	77	90	105	3½	11	14
	550	38	58	73	13	27	32
	600	14	32	48	42	52	57
Boots (*322)	280	47	53	63	4	7	11
	300	31	39	49	8	11	16
	330	14	28	34	19	24	28
BTR (*336)	300	45	50	60	2	7	10
	330	21	31	40	9	17	20
	360	8	18	26	27	33	35
Blue Circle (*517)	475	50	67	—	7	20	—
	500	37	55	70	15	30	38
	550	12	34	45	37	55	60
De Beers (*1490)	1100	370	400	—	—	40	—
	1200	270	310	—	25	65	—
	1300	180	240	—	65	95	—
	1400	120	190	—	—	—	—
Dixons (*379)	351	34	—	—	5	—	—

	Series	Calls			Puts		
		Sep	Dec	Mar	Sep	Dec	Mar
Dixons cont	360	—	46	54	—	17	24
	381	18	—	—	18	—	—
Glaxo (*1778)	1650	185	235	285	27	55	73
	1700	150	200	250	40	70	92
	1750	115	170	220	60	90	110
	1800	90	140	195	85	113	135
Hanson (*182)	160	—	30½	32	—	3	5
	165	20½	—	—	2	—	—
	180	9½	16½	19½	6	9	11½
	200	3	8	11	19	20½	23
Sears (*186)	140	48	52	57	1	1½	3
	160	28	33	39	1	3	6
	180	11	21	25	4½	8	12
Tesco (*195)	183	19	28	35	4	9	13
	200	9	15	27	13	16	20
	220	3	9	19	32	34	36
Thorn EMI (*748)	650	110	140	—	3	10	—
	700	67	90	110	10	15	32
	750	33	63	82	28	40	62
	800	17	40	55	75	77	94
THF (*277)	240	39	46	50	1½	4	6
	260	23	33	36	7	9	12
	280	11	21	25	15	17	21
	Series	Aug	Nov	Feb	Aug	Nov	Feb
BAA (*141)	130	16	22	26	2½	6	9
	140	8	16	20	5	9	13
	160	2	7	11	20	22	26
Brit Aero (*539)	500	47	65	85	4	18	25
	550	13	38	60	25	42	50
	600	2	20	37	62	73	82
BAT Inds (*632)	550	87	100	117	1	7	10
	600	40	63	83	6	20	28
	650	15	38	57	27	43	50
	700	3	20	35	70	78	80
Brit Telecom (*292)	260	33	36	—	1½	4	—
	280	14	24	36	5	13	17
	300	4½	14	23	18	22	29
Cadbury Schwpps (*277)	240	39	46	52	1	3	6
	260	20	31	38	3	8	12
	280	6	21	27	10	17	23
Guinness (*373)	330	45	57	67	2	7	11
	360	22	37	45	7	17	25
	390	5	22	33	27	33	40
Ladbroke (*444)	403	44	55	—	2	10	—
	443	13	33	—	13	25	—
	460	7	24	38	27	37	40
LASMO (*390)	330	64	72	83	2	6	11
	360	38	52	67	6	13	19
	390	18	38	50	17	28	33
Plessey (*209)	200	15	26	36	4	8	12
	220	5	14	25	14	18	24
	240	1½	7½	15	32	36	40
P & O (*746)	688	65	83	103	3	13	22
	750	20	45	65	18	35	43
	800	5	25	43	58	67	72
Prudential (*1065)	1000	75	105	135	8	27	40
	1050	40	72	105	22	47	57
	1100	17	50	77	52	72	82
Racal (*279)	260	24	34	44	3	10	13
	280	11	25	34	10	19	23
	300	4	15	26	26	30	36
RTZ (*1312)	1150	170	195	225	4	22	40
	1200	130	165	200	10	40	70
	1250	88	135	175	27	70	98
	1300	50	115	150	45	93	115
Vaal Reef (*147)	130	19	23	28½	3	8	13½
	140	10½	17½	24½	6	11½	17½
	150	5	12½	20½	10	15	19½
	Series	Aug	Dec	Mar	Aug	Dec	Mar
Barclays (*653)	550	107	117	130	3	10	17
	600	60	78	100	5	18	30
	650	20	45	70	25	42	47
Midland Bank (*625)	600	28	55	72	8	15	30
	650	5	30	47	40	42	47
	700	3	10	—	87	90	—
	Series	Sep	Dec	Mar	Sep	Dec	Mar
Lonrho (*300)	236	68	69	—	1	2	—
	255	48	52	—	1½	3½	—
	273	31	41	—	6	9	—
	300	13	24	29	16	19	23
	Series	Aug	Nov	Feb	Aug	Nov	Feb
Tr 11¾% 1991 *(£106)	106	13/16	1 3/16	1⅜	5/16	1⅜	2
	108	⅛	⅜	9/16	29/16	2⅜	3 3/16
	110	1/16	5/32	9/32	39/16	4⅜	5
	112	1/16	1/16	⅜	61/16	6⅜	6⅜
Tr 11¾% 03/07 *(£118)	118	1⅜	2⅝	3 7/16	1 3/16	3	[illegible]
	120	7/16	1⅜	2⅜	2⅜	4 3/16	5 1/16
	122	5/32	1 5/16	2	4⅜	5 9/16	6 5/16
	124	1/16	⅝	1⅜	6⅜	7⅜	7⅜
	126	1/16	½	1	8⅜	8⅜	9⅜

	Series	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct
FT-SE Index (*2378)	2100	283	302	—	—	½	2	—	—
	2150	233	252	268	—	½	2	8	—
	2200	183	207	223	—	½	5	13	—
	2250	133	160	180	200	½	11	18	30
	2300	83	118	142	160	1½	22	30	42
	2350	38	80	107	125	7	35	48	58
	2400	5	52	77	100	27	52	70	80
	2450	½	30	55	75	75	78	93	103

July 29, 1987. Total contracts 33779. Calls 23614. Puts 10165. FT-SE Index. Calls 1109. Puts 1158. *Underlying security price.

RECENT ISSUES

EQUITIES

BAA (245p)	141 -5
Britannia Gp	173
Babygro	163
Caradon (250p)	370 +1
Colourvision	185 +2
Cook (DC) (92p)	155
Crosby (James) (82p)	95 -1
Econ Forestry	116
Glamar Gp	249 +1
Graham Motor Gp (140p)	180 -1
Harland Simon	205 +2
Hey & Croft (63p)	176
ITL Info (105p)	121
Kentish Prop (185p)	248 +2
Kingsgrove (140p)	207 +10
Kingston Oil (100p)	141 +1
Knobs&Knockers	155 -5
Lancaster (165p)	228
March Group	139 +1
Monarch Pet (295p)	303
Parkway	271
Perpetual (180p)	195
Pickwick	221
River & Mercantile	233
Rolls-Royce (85p)	120 +1
Ross Consumer (165p)	230 +5
Rural Plan	111
SEP Indl	84 +10
Shelton (Martin) (150p)	83
USDC Inv	170 -1

RIGHTS ISSUES

Copson N/P	153
DSC N/P	250 -5
Dobson Pk N/P	20½
Domino Print Sc N/P	140 +2
ERA N/P	82 -3
Ent Prods N/P	43
Euro Home N/p	80 +2
Joseph (Leopold) N/P	45 -5
Tiphook N/P	95 +5
WA Hldgs N/P	18 -3

(Issue price in brackets).

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

First Dealings	Last Dealings	Last Declaration	For Settlement
July 20	July 31	October 22	November 2

Call options were taken out on: 29/7/87 Unigate, Folkes N/V, Burnett & Hallamshire, Martin Ford, Ovenstone, Hartwells, Eglinton, Elswick, Atlantic Res., Newman Inds., Kalon, A&M Group, BAA, Eagle Trust, Property Trust, Brown & Jackson, Talbex, Central & Sheerwood, Control Secs., Cookson, Bunzl, Bramell, Keep Trust, Whatway, Assoc. Brit. Eng., London Secs., Wates City of London Props., Norfolk Cap., Hawtin, Brit. Dredging, London Assoc. Inv. Trust, Hampton Trust, TR Energy, GM Firth, Sound Diff., Trimoco, Bristol Channel, Newman, Enterprise Oil, Finlan, Dalgety, Amber Day, Brit. Land, Sunleigh, Mount Charlotte, Chloride, GKN, Bennett & Fountain, Bula Res., Process Systems, J Israel, Rolls-Royce, Scott. & Newcastle, Guinness Peat.

Put: Eagle Trust.

Puts & Calls: Unigate, Blue Arrow.

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Open	High	Low	Close	Est Vol
Three Month Sterling					
Sep 87	90.35	90.40	90.35	90.37	3182
Dec 87	90.16	90.19	90.13	90.16	805
Mar 88	90.10	90.13	90.09	90.09	462
Jun 88	90.05	90.05	90.04	90.03	118
Sep 88	89.92	89.92	89.92	89.89	58
Dec 88	89.75	89.75	89.75	89.70	29
Mar 89	89.65	89.65	89.65	89.59	10
Jun 89	NT	—	—	89.39	0
		Previous day's total open interest 16093			
Three Month Eurodollar					
Sep 87	92.67	92.70	92.67	92.69	1621
Dec 87	92.31	92.32	92.28	92.29	1371
Mar 88	92.04	92.05	92.01	92.01	476
Jun 88	91.82	91.82	91.78	91.77	262
Sep 88	91.56	91.56	91.55	91.55	1
Dec 88	NT	—	—	91.34	0
Mar 89	91.13	91.13	91.13	91.14	1
Jun 89	NT	—	—	90.95	0
		Previous day's total open interest 28197			
US Treasury Bond					
Sep 87	89-20	89-25	88-10	88-12	8282
Dec 87	NT	—	—	88-12	0
Mar 88	NT	—	—	—	
		Previous day's total open interest 6652			
Long Gilt					
Sep 87	119-30	120-07	119-30	120-02	12411
Dec 87	NT	—	—	119-30	0
Mar 88	NT	—	—	—	
		Previous day's total open interest 31076			
FT-SE 100					
Sep 87	240.00	241.80	240.00	241.50	1420
Dec 87	NT	—	—	246.00	0
		Previous day's total open interest 6993			
Japanese Government Bond					
Sep 87	107.10	107.13	106.93	106.93	2599
Dec 87	106.55	106.55	106.55	106.43	5
		Previous day's total open interest 865			

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

Sterling index compared with 1975 was up at 72.7 (day's range 72.5-72.7).

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina austral*	3.0948-3.1080
Australia dollar	2.2877-2.2908
Bahrain dinar	0.6005-0.6045
Brazil cruzado*	72.9860-73.3951
Cyprus pound	0.7750-0.7850
Finland marka	7.1800-7.2200
Greece drachma	222.75-224.75
Hong Kong dollar	12.4912-12.5007
India rupee	20.78-20.98
Kuwait dinar KD	0.4520-0.4560
Malaysia dollar	4.0690-4.0733
Mexico peso	2240.0-2290.0
New Zealand dollar	2.7536-2.7600
Saudi Arabia riyal	5.9750-6.0150
Singapore dollar	3.3763-3.3801
S Africa rand (fin)	5.1645-5.2525
S Africa rand (com)	3.3019-3.3109
U A E dirham	5.8500-5.8900

*Lloyds Bank

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland	1.4440-1.4470
Singapore	2.1105-2.1115
Malaysia	2.5435-2.5445
Australia	0.6980-0.6993
Canada	1.3325-1.3330
Sweden	6.4675-6.4725
Norway	6.7825-6.7875
Denmark	7.0400-7.0450
West Germany	1.8572-1.8582
Switzerland	1.5385-1.5395
Netherlands	2.0930-2.0940
France	6.1765-6.1795
Japan	150.45-150.55
Italy	1345.5-1346.5
Belgium(Comm)	38.45-38.48
Hong Kong	7.8060-7.8090
Portugal	144.70-145.20
Spain	126.95-127.05
Austria	13.03-13.05

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel.

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

	Market rates day's range July 29	Market rates close July 29	1 month	3 months
N York	1.5995-1.6025	1.6015-1.6025	0.28-0.25prem	0.90-0.85prem
Montreal	2.1320-2.1368	2.1332-2.1361	0.03prem-0.07dis	0.17-0.04prem
Ams'dam	3.3440-3.3548	3.3503-3.3548	1⅛-⅞prem	3⅝-3prem
Brussels	61.47-61.70	61.58-61.70	12-11prem	41-39prem
C'phgen	11.2535-11.2976	11.2745-11.2976	⅜-1⅛dis	2⅝-3⅜dis
Dublin	1.1060-1.1102	1.1090-1.1100	2prem-3dis	par-12dis
Frankfurt	2.9684-2.9758	2.9716-2.9758	1¼-1prem	3¾-3⅝prem
Lisbon	231.52-232.76	231.74-232.76	79-131dis	286-373dis
Madrid	202.88-203.60	203.31-203.60	115-149dis	327-377dis
Milan	2146.00-2158.57	2154.02-2158.57	1-5dis	3-10dis
Oslo	10.8528-10.8890	10.8662-10.8890	4-4⅞dis	12⅝-13½dis
Paris	9.8580-9.8954	9.8813-9.8954	1-⅝prem	2⅝-2prem
St'khlm	10.3441-10.3794	10.3617-10.3794	⅝prem-⅛dis	⅛prem-¼dis
Tokyo	240.48-241.42	241.03-241.42	1⅛-⅞prem	3⅜-3prem
Vienna	20.85-20.92	20.89-20.92	8⅝-7⅝prem	27-24⅝prem
Zurich	2.4575-2.4662	2.4623-2.4662	1⅛-⅞prem	3⅝-3½prem

MONEY & GOLD

Base Rates %
Clearing Banks 9
Finance House 9

Discount Market Loans %
Overnight High: 9½ Low 8
Week fixed: 8⅝

Treasury Bills (Discount %)

Buying		Selling	
2 mnth	8 27/32	2 mnth	8 13/16
3 mnth	8¾	3 mnth	8 27/32

Prime Bank Bills (Discount %)

1 mnth	8 27/32-8 25/32	2 mnth	8⅞-8 27/32
3 mnth	8 29/32-8⅞	6 mnth	9 3/16-9⅛

Trade Bills (Discount %)

1 mnth	9 5/32	2 mnth	9⅛
3 mnth	9 17/32	6 mnth	9 13/16

Interbank (%)
Overnight: open 8 close 11

1 week	8¾-8⅝	6 mnth	9⅝-9½
1 mnth	9 15/16-9⅞	9 mnth	9⅝-9⅜
3 mnth	9⅜-9 5/16	12 mth	9 15/16-9⅝

Local Authority Deposits (%)

2 days	8¼	7 days	8¼
1 mnth	8⅞	3 mnth	9⅛
6 mnth	9⅜	12 mth	9⅝

Local Authority Bonds (%)

1 mnth	9¼-9	2 mnth	9 5/16-9 1/16
3 mnth	9 7/16-9 3/16	6 mnth	9¾-9½
9 mnth	9 15/16-9 11/16	12 mth	10 1/16-9 13/16

Sterling CDs (%)

1 mnth	8⅝-8½	3 mnth	9¼-9⅛
6 mnth	9½-9 7/16	12 mth	9 23/32-9 21/32

Dollar CDs (%)

1 mnth	6.75-6.70	3 mnth	6.90-6.85
6 mnth	7.15-7.10	12 mth	7.60-7.55

EURO MONEY DEPOSITS %

Dollar		call	7-6
7 days	6 7/16-6⅜	1 mnth	6⅞-6¾
3 mnth	7-6⅞	6 mnth	7 3/16-7 1/16
Deutschemark		call	4-3
7 days	4-3¾	1 mnth	3 15/16-13/16
3 mnth	3 15/16-3 13/16	6 mnth	4 1/16-3 15/16
French Franc		call	8¾-7¾
7 days	7 11/16-7 9/16	1 mnth	7 13/16-11/16
3 mnth	8⅛-8	6 mnth	8 9/16-8 7/16
Swiss Franc		call	1⅞-⅞
7 days	3 9/16-3 5/16	1 mnth	3 15/16-13/16
3 mnth	3 15/16-3 13/16	6 mnth	3 15/16-13/16
Yen		call	3¾-2¾
7 days	3¾-3⅝	1 mnth	3 13/16-11/16
3 mnth	4 1/16-3 15/16	6 mnth	4 3/16-4 1/16

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C. Hoare & Co	9.00%
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TSB	9.00%
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No.	Company	Group	Gain or loss
1	Alumasc	Industrials A-D	
2	Newman Inds	Industrials L-R	
3	Dalgety (aa)	Industrials A-D	
4	Tarmac (aa)	Building Roads	
5	BET Ord (aa)	Industrials A-D	
6	Hill Samuel	Banks,Discount	
7	Sidlaw	Industrials S-Z	
8	Eleco	Industrials E-K	
9	Low & Bonar	Industrials L-R	
10	Davies & Newman	Industrials A-D	
11	Plysu	Chemicals,Plas	
12	Guinness (aa)	Breweries	
13	BTP	Chemicals,Plas	
14	Celestion	Industrials A-D	
15	Ricardo Eng	Industrials L-R	
16	Arlen	Electricals	
17	Bowater	Industrials A-D	
18	Charter Cons	Industrials A-D	
19	Dyson (J&J)	Industrials A-D	
20	Brown (N)	Drapery Stores	
21	Booth Inds	Industrials A-D	
22	Woolworth (aa)	Drapery,Stores	
23	Talbex	Industrials S-Z	
24	Redland (aa)	Building,Roads	
25	Tavener Rutledge	Foods	
26	Warrington (T)	Building,Roads	
27	Egerton Trust	Property	
28	Whatman Reeve	Industrials S-Z	
29	Delta	Industrials A-D	
30	Matthews (Bernard)	Foods	
31	Barr & WA 'A'	Leisure	
32	Kelsey Ind	Industrials E-K	
33	Cont Stationery	Industrials A-D	
34	Tate & Lyle	Foods	
35	Helene of London	Drapery,Stores	
36	Sound Diffusion	Electricals	
37	APV Baker	Industrials A-D	
38	GRA	Leisure	
39	Scantronic	Electricals	
40	Aurora	Industrials A-D	
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SHORTS (Under Five Years)

1987 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only yld%	Gross Red. yld%
102¼	95½	Treas 12% 1987	100	..	11 9	9 116
99	95½	Treas 7¾% 1985-88	99	..	7 8	8 935
102	96	Exch 10½% 1988	100	..	10 4	9 529
101	96½	Treas C9¾% 1988	100	..	9 7	9 542
97	92	Trans 3% 1978-88	95	..	3 1	6 675
101	96	Treas 9½% 1988	98	..	9 5	9.527
105	95	Treas 11½% 1989	102 ●	..	11 2	9 513
104	98	Treas 10½% 1989	101	..	10 3	9 470
103	96	Exch 10% 1989	100 ●	..	9 9	9 499
108	100	Exch 10½% 1989	102	..	10 0	8.827
105	96	Exch 11% 1989	102	..	10.7	9 517
95	88	Treas 5% 1986-89	94	..	9 3	7 614
102	95	Treas C9½% 1989	99	..	9 5	9 488
94	88	Treas 3% 1989	94	..	3 2	6 592
111	103	Treas 13% 1990	107	..	12 1	9 448
106	95	Exch 11% 1990	103 ●	..	10.7	9.505
110	99	Exch 12½% 1990	106	..	11 7	9 529
91	84	Treas 3% 1990	90	..	3 3	6 742
100	93	Treas 8½% 1987-90	98	..	8 4	9 041
105	97	Treas 10% 1990	101	..	9.8	9.531
89	80	Exch 2½% 1990	88	..	2.8	6 452
110	96	Treas C10% 1991	103	..	9 7	9 052
110	102	Treas 11¾% 1991	106	..	11 0	9 532
95	86	Fund 5¾% 1987-91	92	..	6 2	8.088
109	100	Exch 11% 1991	104	..	10.5	9.538
89	79	Treas 3% 1991	87	-¼	3.4	6 742

FIVE TO FIFTEEN YEARS

1987 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only yld%	Gross Red. yld%
116	107	Treas 12¾% 1992	111	..	11 4	9 502
106	92	Treas 10% 1992	102	+⅛	9 8	9 465
108	99	Treas C10¼% 1992	103	..	10 1	9 475
85	85	Treas 3% 1992	85	..	3.5	6.508
96	94	Treas 8% 1992	94	..		9.388
117	100	Exch 12¼% 1992	110 ●	..	11 1	9 585
121	106	Exch 13½% 1992	115	..	11 7	9 664
107	96	Treas 10% 1993	101	+⅛	9.8	9.567
118	108	Treas 12½% 1993	112	..	11 1	9.653
95	81	Fund 6% 1993	90	-¼	6 6	8 101
125	113	Treas 13¾% 1993	118	..	11 6	9 710
129	113	Treas 14½% 1994	123 ●	..	11 8	9.649
120	103	Exch 12½% 1994	113 ●	..	11 0	9.798
124	113	Exch 13½% 1994	118	..	11 4	9.794
103	91	Treas 9% 1994	97	+⅛	9.2	9 415
107	39	Treas 10% 1994	102	..	9.8	9 578
118	106	Treas 12% 1995	111	..	10 8	9 760
82	75	Gas 3% 1990-95	82	..	3 7	5 730
109	97	Exch 10¼% 1995	103	..	9 9	9 689
123	111	Treas 12¾% 1995	116	..	10.9	9 724
130	117	Treas 14% 1996	123	..	11 4	9 892
102	89	Treas 9% 1992-96	97	+⅛	9 3	9.486
139	125	Treas 15¼% 1996	131	..	11 6	9 846
127	114	Exch 13¼% 1996	120	+⅛	11 0	9 755
89	80	Rdmpt 3% 1996	84	-¼	3 6	..
108	96	Conv 10% 1996	101	..	9 8	9 699
128	115	Treas 13¼% 1997	120	+⅛	11 0	9 809
111	95	Exch 10½% 1997	104	..	10 0	9.712
101	86	Treas 8¾% 1997	94 ●	..	9 2	9.563
101	92	Treas 8¾% 1997	95 ●	..	9 2	....
140	125	Exch 15% 1997	131	..	11 4	9 988
89	77	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	83	..	8 1	9.207
106	94	Exch 9¾% 1998	100	+⅛	9 7	9.714
145	128	Treas 15½% 1998	138	..	11.3	9 921
122	108	Exch 12% 1998	114	..	10.5	9.793
108	93	Treas 9½% 1999	99	..	9.5	9 516
124	108	Exch 12¼% 1999	116	..	10.5	9 778
113	99	Treas 10½% 1999	105	+⅛	9.9	9 664
111	97	Conv 10¼% 1999	103	..	9.9	9 660
96	92	Treas 8½% 2000	93	+⅛	..	9 454
131	116	Treas 13% 2000	123 ●	..	10 6	9 798
103	88	Conv 9% 2000	96 ●	..	9 3	9.505
110	94	Treas 10% 2001	103 ●	..	9.7	9 585
108	92	Conv 9¾% 2001	101	●+⅛	9 6	9 571
134	120	Treas 14% 1998-01	126	..	11.1	9 919

OVER FIFTEEN YEARS

1987 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only yld%	Gross Red. yld%
103	85	Exch 9% 2002	96	..	9 4	9 463
110	97	Conv 10% 2002	103	+⅛	9.7	9 552
122	108	Exch 12% 1999-02	114	+⅛	10.5	9 805
109	93	Treas 9¾% 2002	101	●+⅛	9 6	9.523
111	94	Treas 10% 2003	103	..	9.6	9 495
136	121	Treas 13¾% 2000-03	128	..	10 7	9 822
121	105	Treas 11½% 2001-04	113	..	10 1	9 657
111	97	Treas 10% 2004	104	..	9 6	9 475
59	51	Fund 3½% 1999-04	55	..	6.3	8 424
107	93	Conv 9½% 2004	100	..	9 5	9 466
107	93	Conv 9½% 2005	100	..	9 5	9.445
116	99	Exch 10½% 2005	109	..	9 6	9 439
132	116	Treas 12½% 2003-05	124	..	10 1	9 524
94	82	Treas 8% 2002-06	88	..	9.1	9 333
92	87	Treas 8% 2002/06 A	88	..	..	9 327
110	93	Conv 9¾% 2006	102	..	9.5	9 420
126	110	Treas 11¾% 2003-07	117	..	10 0	9 514
99	86	Treas 8½% 2007	92	..	9 2	9 297
142	121	Treas 13½% 2004-08	132	..	10 2	9 521
104	96	Treas 9% 2008	97	..	9.2	9 261
94	80	Treas 8% 2009	88	..	9.1	9 236
101	97	Conv 9% 2011	97	..	9 2	9.260
69	58	Treas 5½% 2008-12	64	-⅛	8 5	9.084
92	79	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	85	..	9 1	9.204
134	117	Exch 12% 2013-17	125	..	9.5	9 334

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1987 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only yld%	Gross Red. yld%
45	39	Consols 4%	42 ●	..	9 3	...
40	34	War Ln 3½%	37		9.2	.. ..
53	46	Conv 3½%	49	+⅛	7 0	.. ..
34	29	Treas 3%	32	..	9 3	.....
28	24	Consols 2½%	26	..	9 3	.. ..
28	24	Treas 2½%	26	..	9 3	.....

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1987 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only yld%	Gross Red. yld%
131	124	Treas IL 2% 1988	131	..	2 0	2.065
117	108	Treas IL 2% 1990	116	+⅛	2 0	0 983
99	93	Treas IL 2% 1992	97	+⅛	2 1	2 163
129	117	Treas IL 2% 1996	126	+⅛	2 3	3 441
131	100	Treas IL2½% 2001	105	+½	3 0	3.806
129	98	Treas IL2½% 2003	104	+½	3 1	3 783
113	102	Treas IL 2% 2006	106	+⅛	2.7	3 741
127	97	Treas IL2½% 2009	101	+⅛	3 2	3 668
113	102	Treas IL2½% 2011	106	●+⅛	3 1	3 626
95	85	Treas IL2½% 2013	88	●+⅛	3.2	3.569
103	92	Treas IL2½% 2016	96	+⅛	3 1	3.513
101	90	Treas IL2½% 2020	94	+⅛	3 2	3 464
86	78	Treas IL2½% 2024	80	+⅛	3.2	3.378

BANKS DISCOUNT HP

1987 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
273	230	Allied Irish	248	253	+3	9 0	3 6	7 2
109	84	Ansbacher (Henry)	103	105	-1	2 7	2 6	30 6
194	146	Aus New Z	186	190	+1	15.0	8 0	
12	6	Bankamerica	7	.	+	..		.
246	178	Bank of Ireland	228	233	+1	17 0	7 4	
14	11	Bank Leumi Israel	13	15				
350	240	Bank Leumi UK	340	360		17 0	4 9	11 2
619	365	Bank Of Scotland	615	620		22.6	3 7	11 4
88	66	Bank Of Wales	80	85	●	3 3	4 0	15 6
655	484	Barclays (aa)	650	655		28 8	4 4	7 1
94	45	Beachmgh	85	88		2 2b	2 5	30 2
603	543	Brown Shipley	560	575	●	13 7	2 4	21 3
135	95	Bus Mortgage	100	110	●+2	2 7	2 6	22 6
483	290	Cater Allen	440	450	..	27 6	6 2	15.3
75	44	Cattles	72	73		2 7	3 7	16.0
28	20	Chase Manhattan	26	..	●	13 9	5 3	..
51	30	Citicorp	373	..	●	206 f	5 5	
111	82	Commerzbank	97	.	+	6.0	0 f	
288	191	Deutsche Bank	2173			200 f	5 5	
80	21	Equity & Gen	69	71	-5	1 4	2 0	27.2
369	202	First Nat Finance	329	332	●+1	9 8	3 0	14 1
418	298	Gerrard Nat	390	395	..	23 3	5 9	12 1
112	88	Guinness Peat	103	104	↑+½	3 5	3 4	16 4
342	235	Hambros	335	338	●	11 2	3 3	13 2
703	398	Hill Samuel	690	698	+6	20 2	2 9	14.9
78	57	HK Shanghai	77	78	..	3 3	4 2	
623	236	Joseph (Leopold)	546	566	↑+1	18 3	3.3	23.1
194	134	King & Shaxson	184	188		12 0	6.5	18 7
643	451	Kleinwort Benson	577	585	+12	19.2	3.3	11.0

1987 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
434	293	Lloyds (aa)	380	384	s -7	32 4	5 9	6 6
112	75	Lon Scot	105	108	●	4 4	4 1	15 7
529	336	Mercury Intl	490	495	↑	13 7	2 8	11 9
179	132	Do 6½ A	166	169	↑ -1	8.2	4 9	
705	566	Midland (aa)	623	627		37 0	5 9	6 1
563	260	Morgan Grenfell	553	558	-6	14 4	2 6	14 3
227	155	Nat Aust Bk	216	220	-1			
790	536	Nat West (aa)	763	767	+3	29 5	3 9	7 8
185	123	Ottoman	180			8 0	4 4	5 9
440	279	Provident	410	412	+3	17 8	4 1	14 2
177	55	RFA Gp	165	175	+5	1 7	1 0	32 4
216	112	Rothschild (J) Hld	201	206	●	8 2	4 0	10 8
449	298	Roy Bk Scot (aa)	414	417	-11	15 6	3 8	10 4
16	705	Schroders	15	16	+¼	18 5	1 2	24 9
843	776	Stand Chart (aa)	820	825	.	50 0	6 1	10 2
102	75	TSB (aa)	90	91	●	6 5	7 1	6 5
10	680	Union	970	980	●	63 0	6 5	11 3
37	27	Wells Fargo	34	.	+			
510	290	Wintrust	500	520		8 5	1 7	20 1

BREWERIES

1987 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
471	317	Allied Lyons (aa)	458	462	●+4	15 8	3 4	13 6
10	779	Bass (aa)	10	10	●	24 1	2 4	18 5
77	61	Belhaven	68	69	↑ +1	1 0	1 5	24 6
151	131	Boddington	140	142	+1	5 1	3 6	15 4
837	537	Brown (Matthew)	693	700	↑ +2	20 2b	2 9	24 3
186	131	Buckleys	173	178	.	4 4	2 5	54 3
219	141	Bulmer (H P)	215	220	●-1	7 9	3 6	16 8
779	660	Burtonwood Brew	765	773	● ..	16 0	2 1	21 8
532	440	Clark (Matthew)	523	533		12 3	2 3	17 6
362	202	Devenish (JA)	340	347	+1	4 0	1 2	47.6
279	197	Greenall Whitley	246	248	..	7 8	3 2	14 9
401	299	Greene King	382	395	+1	8 9	2 3	20 7
390	264	Guinness (aa)	373	375	+7	11 2	3 0	13 3
795	473	Hardys & Hansons	785	805	●+5	26 4	3 3	17 5
94	68	Highland Dist	91	93	●	3 1	3 4	17 8
246	138	Invergordon Dist	187	192	●+1	7 2	3 8	12 4
235	145	Irish Dist	210	215	+4	6 0	2 8	
154	113	Marston Thompson	146	148	●	3 5	2 4	17 7
603	345	Morland	585	597	● .	9 9	1 7	28 7
425	331	SA Breweries	420	430				
264	178	Scot & New (aa)	256	257	●+1½	10 9	4 2	14 0
580	406	Vaux	560	568	●	18 6	3 3	20 0
365	277	Whitbread A (aa)	368	372	+10	12 2	3 3	15 6
400	240	Do B	387	395		12 2	3 1	16 5
365	210	Whitbread Inv	340	345	+2	11 3	3 3	39 9
398	277	Wolverhampton & D	386	400	+7	7 8	1 8	32 4
477	274	Young A	465	475		11 6	2 5	27 4

BUILDINGS AND ROADS

1987 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
455	193	Abbey	435	465		.		
297	222	Aberdeen Constn	275	280		12 1	4 4	27 0
449	270	Amec	426	429	●-1	16 4	3 8	16 1
67	28	Anglia Utd	59	61	●	1 4	2 3	
145	68	Amdale	140	150	+5	2 2	1 5	34 0
324	217	Attwoods	311	313	●	7 2	2 3	23 9
862	527	BPB Ind (aa)	840	845	●+5	17 1	2 0	18 3
310	97	Baggeridge Brick	300	310	●+2	2 7	0 9	41 2
94	31	Bailey (Ben) Constr	71	76	.	0 9	1 2	15 0
252	158	Barratt Devs	230	232	.	11 4	4 9	24 2
327	160	Bellway	294	298		10 3	3 5	15 7
530	134	Berkeley Gp	480	490	●+2	3 4	0 7	34 1
144	65	Bett Bros	135	140	● .	4 5	3 3	38 0
23	137	Blockleys	535	545		5 9	1 1	45 9
574	335	Blue Circle	518	522	+10	15 8	3 0	14 0
435	200	Breedon&Cloud Hill	199	219		7 7	3 7	39 7
235	86	Bt Dredging	225	230	+4	5 5	2 4	41 4
81	14	Brown & Jackson	75	77	-2			
180	73	Bryant	123	125	+5	3 0b	2 4	17 1
38	11	Burnett & Hallam	36	37	.	.		2 9
205	139	Clay	173	178	+1			
160	90	Cawthorn Robey	142	152	+5	5 2	3 5	18 4
183	114	Church Charles	175	179	+26	3 8	2 1	21 1
278	150	Costain Grp	267	272	+2	5 5	2 0	30 5
379	246	Costain	360	364	-14	12 0	3 3	13 1
13	170	Countryside	330	340	s	2 1	0 7	38.2
215	129	Douglas (RM)	202	208		3 7b	1 6	40 9
250	118	Eran	247	252	+9	5 9	2 4	25 7
175	98	Erith	164	184	.	2 4	1 4	28 8
126	78	Do A	110	120		2 4	2 1	19 0
283	118	Federated Hsg	270	271	+4	5 5	2 0	19 0
182	88	Fetlin Gp	175	178	+2	5 2b	2 9	51 8
174	92	Galliford	169	171		6 9	4 1	36 4
175	218	Gibbs & Dandy Ord	170	180		2 7	1 5	30 9
595	348	Gleeson (MJ)	560	575	●-2	8 4	1 5	15 7
305	164	Harrison Ind	300	305	●+2	7 9	2 6	18 7
296	172	Henderson	262	270	+2	10 3	3 9	24 5
143	74	Hewden Stuart	143	144	●+2	2 8	1 8	21 7
406	278	Heywood Williams	378	380		10 6	2 8	30 6
425	270	Higgs & Hill	408	415	+2	10.3	2 5	19 7
143	49	Howard Shut	137	140	-2	2 1	1 5	56 6
201	70	Ibstock Johnsen	187	190	+6	4 1	2 2	19 5
860	470	Jarvis (J) & Sons	760	860	+20	30 6	2 5	18 0
414	252	Laing (J)	394	396		7 8	2 0	13 3
414	253	Do A	394	396		7 8	2 0	13 3
194	88	Lawrence (Walter)	177	179	●-2	5 5	3 1	17 3
77	42	Leley (FJC)	75	77	+3			9 8
314	192	Lovell (YJ)	292	295	●	6 0	2 0	20 2
406	242	Magnet & South	384	388	↑ +16	8 2	2 1	25 6
413	326	Manders	398	402	-1	13 7	3 4	21 3
191	123	Marley	181	182	+8½	5 6	3 1	21 3
363	188	Marshalls (Halifax)	328	333	-4	8 6	2 6	22 6
677	396	McAlpine (Alfred)	638	640	+1	19 9	3 1	14 7
620	303	McCarthy & S	570	580	●+7	4 7	0 8	25 4
464	268	Meyer Int	455	458	●+22	9 6	2 1	15 0
171	38	Miller (Stanley)	137	142	-3	1 7	1 2	97 9
541	360	Mowlem (John)	522	526	●-2	21 9	4 2	15 6
12	795	Newarthill	11	12	●	17 1	1 4	25 5
248	158	Newman Tonks	243	245	●	10 1	4 1	20 4
596	357	Persimmon	565	570	-1	8 6	1 5	20 5
158	86	Phoenix Timber	147	152	● .	2 1	1 4	17 9
510	370	Pochins	500	520		19 2	3 8	14 5
574	341	RMC Gp (aa)	520	523	+2	12 0	2 3	17 1
167	73	Raine Ind	151	153	.	1 4	0 9	53 1
571	399	Redland (aa)	554	557	+7	17 8	3 2	15 4
206	97	Ruberoid	195	200	.	4 8	2 4	17 4
294	184	Rugby Group	276	280	+3	9 6	3 4	18 4
316	183	Sandell Perkins	275	280	●+1	5 9	2 1	17 8
248	136	Sharpe & Fisher	244	249	+2	4 3	1 7	24 5
138	88	Smart (J)	133	136	●	6 7	5 0	19 6
416	294	Steetley	388	392	+2	11 1	2 8	18 4
348	210	Tarmac (aa)	326	329	●+7	7 6	2 3	20 6

1987 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
378	270	Yorkhyde	345	370		10.3	2.9	14 6

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1987 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
675	452	BAT (aa)	630	634	-2	19.6	3 1	14.9
183	118	Carroll	162	167	●	.	.	.
413	236	Rothmans B	385	393	-4	10 6	2 7	10 8

● Ex dividend a Ex all b Forecast dividend e Interim payment passed f Price at suspension g Dividend and yield exclude a special payment k Pre-merger figures n Forecast earnings o Ex other r Ex rights s Ex scrip or share split t Tax-free .. No significant data.

THE TIMES UNIT TRUST INFORMATION SERVICE

ABBEY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
80 Holdenhurst Rd, Bournemouth BH8 8AL
0345 717373 (Linkline)

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Gilt & Fixed	112.8	119.3●		10.06
High Inc Equity	146.7	156.0●	+1.5	3.33
Worldwide Bond	187.6	199.5c	+0.1	4.86
American Growth	178.9	190.3	+0.1	0.67
Asian Pacific	89.3	94.9	+1.2	0.94
Assets & Earns	195.9	208.3	+1.5	1.08
Capital Reserve	73.0	73.4	+0.1	1.38
Comm & Energy	184.2	195.9	+1.4	0.45
European Capital	95.7	101.8	+0.7	1.25
General	196.3	208.8●	+2.1	2.16
Japan	87.0	92.5		
UK Growth Inc	195.2	207.6	+1.8	0.85
Do Accum	283.6	301.7	+2.5	0.65
US Emerging Co's	57.0	60.6●	-0.3	1.80
Income & Growth	315.6	335.7	+4.0	2.10
Mastertst.Acc	89.8	95.5●	+0.5	1.43
American Inc	53.2	56.5c	-0.2	4.64

AETNA UNIT TRUSTS LTD
401, St John Street London EC1V 4QE
01-837 6494

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Europe Growth Acc	131.4	139.9	+1.6	0.71
Exempt	468.2	490.6e	+3.3	3.53
Far Eastern	243.4	260.3	+1.4	0.10
Fin & Prop	111.6	118.2c	-1.4	1.42
High Yield	89.3	94.6	+0.7	3.56
Income & Gth	367.5	389.3●	+3.1	3.21
Intl Earnings	240.8	255.1	+2.6	1.64
Intl Growth Inc	110.3	117.5	+0.5	0.42
Japan Growth Acc	139.0	148.7●	+0.8	0.20
Nth Amer Gth Inc	148.4	158.7●	+1.1	0.83
Preference Inc	125.4	132.8	+0.2	9.43
Small Co's Div Inc	108.8	115.3●	+1.2	3.05
Small Co's Gth	412.9	437.4	+1.7	0.74
Special Sits Inc	214.2	226.9	+4.5	0.60
UK Growth	493.9	523.2●	+5.3	1.96

ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS
Allied Dunbar Centre Swindon SN1 1EL
0793 610366 & 0793 28291

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
UK Special Sits	343.9	364.5	+3.5	2.19
Growth & Income	187.2	198.4	+1.9	2.18
Capital Trust	318.8	337.9	+2.5	1.75
Balanced	513.3	544.1	+4.7	2.34
Accum Trust	781.1	828.0	+7.3	2.32
American Income	31.6	33.7●	+0.1	3.88
High Income Tst	359.2	380.8	+2.4	3.30
Equity Income	207.8	220.3●	+1.4	3.40
High Yield	210.4	223.0	+1.4	3.37
Govt Secs Trust	29.5	30.7	..	7.85

BALTIC TRUST MANAGERS
20 Chiswell Street, London EC1
01-374 6801

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
American	55.3	58.9	+0.2	1.80
Australian	32.5	34.6	+0.1	1.05
Japan & General	148.0	157.5	+0.3	0.03
High Income	71.2	75.8	+0.6	4.16
International Trust	115.8	123.2●	+0.9	0.66
Income Gth Tst	80.1	85.3c	+0.6	3.59
Gilts & Fixed Int	22.4	23.9●		10.10
Global Markets	46.0	49.0	+0.3	4.10
Special Situations	83.6	89.0	+1.2	1.04

BARCLAYS UNICORN
Unicorn House, 252, Romford Rd E7
01-534 5544

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Capital	100.8	106.6c	+0.8	2.01
European Gth Inc	77.7	82.2	+0.6	1.21
Extra Income	112.6	119.1	+0.7	3.64
General	209.1	221.2	+1.7	2.13
Gilt & Fixed Inc	53.9	56.7	+0.2	9.86
Income Trust	489.0	517.4●	-2.1	2.83
Intl Income	59.2	62.6●	+0.3	3.85
Smlr Co Inc	50.9	53.8	+0.4	1.38

BARING FUND MANAGERS
PO Box 156, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XQ
01-658 9002

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Australia	111.9	119.6	+1.6	0.00
Eastern	111.4	119.1	+2.6	0.00
Equity Income	84.8	90.2	+0.7	4.30
Europe	147.3	156.7●	+2.3	0.30
Exempt Trust	67.2	71.4c	-4.5	3.00
Growth & Inc	90.6	96.3	+1.0	1.90
Global Gth	83.3	88.6	+1.2	1.50
Japan Special	126.4	135.1c	+4.5	0.10
Japan Sunrise	*127.6*	*136.4*	*+2.7*	*0.00*
First Europe	126.7	134.7●	+2.0	0.20
First Japan	96.5	103.2	+2.2	0.20
First N Amer	54.9	58.4●	+0.3	1.10
First Smaller Co's	126.6	134.6	+0.8	1.80
N Amer Spec Tst	50.6	53.8	+0.3	0.30

BARRINGTON MANAGEMENT
10 Fenchurch St, London EC3
01-623 9000

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Amer Smlr Co Inc	68.6	72.4	+0.2	0.12
Do Accum	70.6	74.5	+0.2	0.12
European Inc	110.1	116.2●	+1.1	1.45
Do Accum	136.9	144.4●	+1.4	1.45
Fund of Inv Tr Inc	31.4	33.1	+0.2	1.26
Do Accum	40.4	42.6	+0.2	1.26
General Inc	243.2	256.5●	+3.3	2.17
Do Accum	338.3	356.9	+4.7	2.17
Gilt Yield Inc	106.8	110.0	+0.2	8.39
Global Inc	179.7	189.6	+0.7	3.01
Do Accum	307.4	324.3	+1.2	3.01
Do Accum	193.0	197.8	+0.4	8.39
High Yield Inc	137.2	144.7●	+1.0	3.85
Do Accum	283.5	299.1	+1.9	3.85
Intl Rec Inc	160.5	169.3	-2.7	0.61
Do Accum	170.5	179.9	-2.8	0.61
Japan Inc	261.1	275.5	-0.1	0.00
Do Accum	264.0	278.5	-0.1	0.00
Japanese Spec Inc	120.9	127.6	+1.1	0.16
Do Accum	121.5	128.2	+1.1	0.16
N American Inc	59.2	62.5	+2.1	0.70
Do Accum	69.1	72.9	+2.4	0.70
Pacific Inc	174.0	183.6	+1.0	0.19
Do Accum	196.8	207.6	+0.9	0.15
Planned Investment	186.1	196.8		0.00
Smaller Co's Inc	148.4	156.6	+0.7	0.94
Do Accum	177.7	187.5	+0.6	0.94
UK Equity Gth Inc	42.1	44.4c	+0.4	0.13
Do Accum	69.7	73.5	+0.8	0.13
Worldwide Tech Inc	63.4	66.9	-0.5	0.24
Do Accum	64.0	67.5	+0.1	0.24

BROWN SHIPLEY
9-17, Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath
0444 458144

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Financial	243.1	256.6	+1.3	1.10
Smaller Co's Acc	472.3	499.8	+3.9	0.60
Do Income	299.4	317.0	+2.5	0.60
High Income	105.8	112.6	+1.1	4.31
Income	124.5	132.5	+1.0	3.19
Man Portfolio Inc	119.0	125.6c	+1.0	0.95
Do Acc	201.5	214.4c	+1.7	0.95
North American	68.3	72.7●	-0.2	0.60
Orient	104.9	111.6	+1.3	0.25
Exempt	379.9	404.1	+3.4	1.52
Recovery	95.0	100.6	-0.3	0.92
German	32.8	34.9	-0.2	0.53
Technology	165.9	176.5	+1.2	0.25
Europe	24.7	26.5	+0.2	1.02

BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT
The Stock Exchange London EC2P 2JT
01-588 2868

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Fellowship Inc	76.3	81.2		1.79
General Inc (4)	351.8	366.9		1.44
Do Accum (4)	569.9	597.6		1.44
Income Fund (3)	156.6	163.8	-1.6	4.01
Do Accum (3)	285.2	299.2	-2.6	4.01
Intl Inc (2)	166.0	173.2		0.35
Do Accum (2)	221.3	231.0	.	0.35
Smaller Inc (5)	123.5	130.1●	.	1.75
Do Accum	132.9	140.0●	.	1.75

CANNON FUND MANAGERS
1 Olympic Way, Wembley Middx HA9 0NB
01-902 8876

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Growth	41.1	43.5s	+0.4	2.04
Income	48.6	51.4s	+0.6	3.14
Far East	30.2	32.2s	-0.2	0.20
North American	33.2	35.4s	+0.2	0.58
Global	58.6	62.0	+0.5	0.55
European	56.3	59.6	+0.2	0.90
Japan	71.7	76.3	+0.6	0.50
Intl Gov Bond	*46.6*	*49.3*	*+0.1*	*6.00*

CAPEL (JAMES) MANAGEMENT
PO Box 551 Bevis Marks London EC3 7JQ
01-621 0011

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Capital ●	531.2	565.2	+6.0	1.46
Income ●	421.3	448.2	+3.1	3.57
North American	321.0	341.5	+0.9	1.36

CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ
01-588 1815

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Inv Fund	541.15		..	3.57
Fixed Int	149.25	c	..	9.58
Deposit	100.0		..	8.80

CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ
01-588 1815

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Income	506.77	●	..	3.97
Accum	£15.6188		..	..
Deposit	*100.0*		..	*8.85*

CHASE MANHATTAN FUND MNGRS
72/73 Basinghall St, London EC2V 5DP
01-606 6622

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
S & C Special Sits	85.9	90.9●	..	0.50

CLERICAL MEDICAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH
0800 373393

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Amer Growth	26.0	27.6	..	0.00
Dragon Growth Fund	31.3	33.2	+0.4	0.00
Equity High Income	69.4	73.5●	+0.3	3.00
European Growth	30.2	32.0	+0.2	0.40
General Equity	64.2	68.0c	+0.4	1.80
Gilt & Fixed Int Gth	31.5	33.2c	..	4.10
Gilt & Fixed Inc	24.9	26.3●	..	9.20
Intl Inc Tst	27.5	29.2c	+2.2	4.30
Japan Growth	41.6	44.1●	+0.5	0.00
Pedigree Gth	38.6	40.9	+0.2	1.50
Special Sits Tst	46.9	49.7	+0.6	1.00

COMMERCIAL UNION TRUST MANAGERS
St Helen's, 1, Undershaft, London EC3P 3DQ
01-283 7500 Dealing 01-686 9818

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
UK & Gen Inc	70.5	75.0●	+0.4	1.89
Do Accum	70.6	75.2●	+0.3	1.90
Income Inc	69.5	74.0●	+0.6	2.78
Do Accum	69.8	74.3●	+0.5	2.79
Worldwide Inc	60.2	64.4●	+0.4	1.11
Do Accum	60.3	64.5●	+0.4	1.11
Gamma Fund Inc	48.0	51.1	+0.3	0.95
Do Accum	48.0	51.1	+0.3	0.95

COUNTY UT MANAGERS LTD
161, Cheapside, London EC2V 6EU
01-726 1999

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Euro Grth Strat	79.8	84.5	+0.7	0.88
Extra Income	264.7	280.2●	+1.5	3.45
Financial	284.7	301.3●	+2.5	1.25
Sth East Asia Grth	104.7	110.8	+1.2	0.71
Gt Br Cos	436.4	461.9●	-4.3	1.61
Income & Growth	64.3	68.0c	+0.5	2.83
Japanese Growth	234.4	248.0	-2.9	0.20
Nth Amer Growth	131.0	138.7	+0.8	0.83
Intl Recovery	190.0	201.1●	+2.9	1.61
Smaller Co's	444.6	470.5	-7.7	0.91
Global Inc Tst	71.1	73.3●	-0.4	6.25
Special Sits Acc	488.2	516.7	+3.2	0.89

CROWN UNIT TRUST SERVICES LTD
Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW
04862 5033

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
American Trust	146.8	156.2●	+0.4	0.64
Canadian Gth	24.2	25.7	+0.1	1.60
European Trust	135.5	144.1	+1.1	..
Growth Trust	337.3	358.8c	+3.2	2.01
High Income Trust	384.2	408.7	+4.8	3.65
Intl Tech Trust	141.3	150.3	+1.3	..
Japanese Trust	199.8	212.6	+1.6	..

CRUSADER UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD
Reigate, Surrey RH2 8BL
07372 42424

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
European Growth	66.4	70.7	+0.8	1.20
Euro Special Sits	47.7	50.8	..	1.30
International	47.6	50.7	+0.1	3.50
N American Growth	47.7	50.8	+0.1	1.00
Pacific Growth	*67.1*	*71.4*	*-0.2*	*0.40*
UK Growth Accum	87.9	93.6	+0.6	2.00
Do Dist	86.6	92.2	+0.6	2.00
UK Income	71.9	76.5	+0.3	4.00

EFM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
4, Melville Crescent, Edinburgh
031-226 3492

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
American Fund	77.4	82.4	+0.4	1.21
Capital Fund	169.8	180.8	+1.8	0.94
Eurofund	29.1	31.0●	+0.4	1.61
Growth & Inc Fund	213.6	227.4c	+1.9	2.75
High Dist Fund	181.8	193.6	+1.2	3.49
International Fund	248.3	264.4●	+2.2	0.85
Pacific Fund	33.0	35.1	+0.4	0.71
Resources Fund	36.1	38.4	+0.6	0.00
Smlr Jap Co's Fnd	36.3	38.6	+0.6	..
Tokyo Fund	188.0	201.1	-0.6	0.00
(Ex) Amer (2)	156.0	160.3		1.71
(Ex) Japan (3)	116.3	119.4	+2.2	0.17
(Ex) Pacific (4)	338.6	359.3	..	0.23
(Ex) Smaller Jap (4)	215.0	220.9	..	0.10

EAGLE STAR UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Bath Road, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL53 7LQ
0242 221311

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
UK Balanced Inc	106.2	112.7●	+0.9	1.87
Do Accum	109.8	116.5●	+1.0	1.81
UK Growth Accum	153.5	162.9	+1.1	1.34
UK High Inc Inc	116.3	123.4	+0.7	3.02
N American Accum	82.8	88.3●	+0.7	1.02
Far Eastern Accum	133.6	142.5●	+0.5	0.50
European Accum	93.1	99.3c	+0.8	1.19
UK Gilt & FI Inc	55.2	58.6●	+0.1	8.22
Do Accum	60.5	64.2●	+0.1	7.50
Intl Spec Sit Acc	53.6	57.2	+0.3	1.76

ENDURANCE FUND MANAGEMENT LTD
Admin Centre Hexagon House Romford RM1 3LB
0708 66966

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Endurance	145.8	155.2	+2.2	0.86

EQUITABLE UNITS ADMINISTRATION
Walton Street Aylesbury, HP21 7QW
0296 431480

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
Equitable Pelican	116.6	124.1	+0.7	2.42
High Income Trust	112.9	120.2	+0.5	3.97
Gilt & Fixed Int	52.4	55.8●	-0.2	7.43
Tst Of Inv Trusts	103.4	110.0c	+0.6	1.36
Special Sits Trust	124.9	132.9	+1.4	1.66
Nth Amer Trust	67.2	71.5	+0.2	1.33
Far Eastern Trust	115.3	122.7●	+1.4	0.33
Intl Growth	64.0	68.1	+0.3	0.91
European Trust	49.8	53.0	+0.2	0.94

EQUITY & LAW
St George Hse Corporation St Coventry CV1 1QD
0203 553231

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
UK Growth Accum	216.5	230.4	+1.9	2.25
Do Income	183.4	195.1	+1.6	2.25
Higher Inc Accum	379.1	403.2	+1.7	3.19
Do Income	295.0	313.8	+1.3	3.19
Gilts/Fixed Accum	106.2	111.7	.	8.19
Do Income	85.5	89.9	.	8.19
Nth Amer Tst Accum	151.0	160.6	+0.1	0.00
Far East Tst Accum	202.0	214.8	+1.4	0.00
Euro Tst Accum	173.3	184.3	-0.1	0.20
General Trust	331.0	352.1	-2.1	2.41
Brit Exc	50.0	..	..	..

F & C UNIT MANAGEMENT
1 Laurence Pountney Hill, London EC4R 0BA
01-623 4680

	Bid	Offer	Chng	Yld
US Smaller Co's	77.6	82.6	+0.3	0.14
UK Income Fund	111.4	118.6	+1.1	3.50
Far Eastern Fund	96.2	102.4	+1.6	0.00
Overseas Income	75.6	81.8	+0.5	3.33
Fixed Interest	55.4	59.0	-0.1	10.36
Natural Res Fund	85.3	90.8●	+1.6	1.87
European Income	83.0	88.3c	+0.8	2.78
Financials Fund	60.4	64.3	-0.4	3.27
Intl Tech Fund	135.1	143.8	+1.5	0.13

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Peter Trigg: Companies realize redundancies must be handled more humanely than before

New jobs for old in today's changing industrial scene

Peter Trigg is managing director of *Drake Beam* Morin UK Ltd, part of an international consultancy with 60 offices in Europe, the United States, Canada, Japan and the Far East

Japanese companies, which once prided themselves on offering their workers lifelong employment, are now adopting practices that have become well established in the United States and Europe. When they have to restructure or retrench, but are loath to make people redundant, they call in professional outplacement consultants who help these people to obtain positions *equal* to or better than their former jobs.

So far, there is only a handful of Japanese firms offering this relatively new-style counselling, but demand is increasing. In Europe, Britain is emerging as the leader in this field, followed by France.

Yet, with unemployment falling in most industrialized countries, can there be an expanding role for consultants whose mission may be defined in terms of helping redundant employees to overcome stress and find alternative employment? External consultants specializing in this field in the UK, as elsewhere, are increasingly used by major multinational companies, including banks and financial conglomerates, chemical, motor, oil and food companies — all industries undergoing a process of change.

In the United States, demand has grown consistently in the past 20 years with the search for efficiency, which has included major corporate restructuring, divestment, mergers and more recently, down-sizing to meet lower market demand.

This is now a key challenge to reduce operating costs. Companies have learned, however, that it must be handled with a minimum of damage, dislocation or insensitivity.

Any of these situations, but especially the continuing need for restructuring to match changing market situations, can result in the need to eliminate certain jobs. For its public image, for the dignity of those involved, and for the morale and productivity of those who stay on, companies now realize such decisions have to be handled more humanely than in the past.

Outplacement counselling can play a major role in the early stages of shock and anger by providing constructive support to an individual's reaction to the loss of a job, and helping him or her develop a new positive attitude, which is necessary to achieve new employment.

Following some years of streamlining to make industry more competitive, rebuilding, reinvesting and restructuring are producing new attitudes and a new approach towards people who have, for various reasons (through no fault of their own), become redundant.

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In the United States, calling in outplacement counselling services when redundancies are unavoidable is now well established. In Britain, such counselling is rarer, but, with staff reductions, the practice is growing significantly under the continuing necessary restructuring for corporate UK to be competitive.

In America, even now, with the economy entering its fifth consecutive year of expansion, it is estimated that tens of thousands of executives are likely to be made redundant. Friends and business acquaintances and executive recruiters may be useful in finding alternative employment, but these specialist consultants shore up battered self-esteem and provide training, as well as guide employees at all levels to find good positions.

In their book *Outplacement Techniques*, William J. Morin and Lyle Yorks, of DBM Inc, rightly observe that "despite the fact that termination is a pervasive fact of corporate life, until recently, the subject has been largely ignored in personnel literature". For almost all employees, whether at executive or lower levels, it is the first opportunity to assess skills and strengths (as well as weaknesses), to look more carefully at achievements and identify very clearly life and career objectives.

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Outplacement counselling, including mid-career guidance, is certain to grow in this country as a systematic and supportive process that advises executives and all other employees who are being terminated. Areas covered are training, coaching, self-appraisal and identification of new employment opportunities appropriate to his or her needs, skills, experience and talents. Outplacement counselling helps place the terminated employee in a new and more appropriate job.

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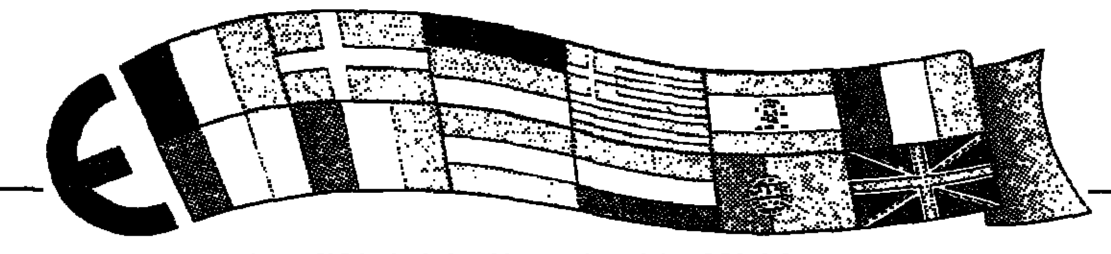

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The implementation of the extension of the ESPRIT programme and the future launching of the RACE programme which are likely to be decided in 1987, following the adoption by the Council of the Framework R&D programme (1987-1991) will offer new job opportunities in the Directorate General XIII: Telecommunications, Information Industries and Innovation.

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COM/R/A/3.18. Integrated Vehicle Control and Navigation

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In the process of corporate restructure and reorganization in recent years, managers are having to acquire new sets of skills to *establish their potential for senior* decision-making. One of the less highlighted is the ability to manage important *company projects effectively*.

Mention project leadership to most lay *managers and, if it strikes any chords at* all, it will be solely with the construction and engineering industries, where there is a specific end-product by a variety of specialist contractors.

In this context, project managers base their work around meeting easily-quantifiable sets of criteria — detailed specifications, definite completion and defined financial arrangements.

Project management is now used on a much wider scale by many other industries. Decentralization has resulted in many organizations being divided into more autonomous profit centres. But a range of external factors, such as the introduction of new technology, the entry into new markets or a commercial *merger, often make it necessary for* senior management to commission cross-functional projects which affect the organization as a *whole*.

Examples of such projects include the *introduction of computer-based* information systems, the development of a new product, an office move, a company takeover or the design and development of a new building.

In many organizations, leading this kind of project is used as a testing ground for high-flying junior or middle managers. Their potential is judged on their ability to define objectives and see them *through*.

The key to this is recognizing and *reconciling the interests of everyone who* has a stake in the project. The principal "stakeholders" in any project are usually the senior management who commission the project; and the external client or internal division on whose behalf the project is being undertaken. A third potential interest to reconcile is that of *the user of the product being developed* or the members of staff who will benefit from the project's objective.

Project leaders will need the ability to liaise effectively with senior management and, in an organization where a number of projects are competing for human and financial resources, they need to ensure that their own projects are properly supported. They will also need *the sensitivity and insight to anticipate* the real needs of the client or user and ensure that their interests are properly reflected in their team's deliberations.

> The decision-making which is the hallmark of a top manager is made much more difficult by the complexity and sophistication of business today, but the headhunters are on the lookout for talent...

As one project leader commented: "It is all too easy to start thinking of the client as the enemy whose practical *requirements are interfering with the* smooth running of your timetable."

To *realize these objectives*, project leaders will need to recruit a team drawn from different departments, functions *and even countries*. They need the skills to establish a common culture, gain commitment, set realistic milestones and encourage regular contact outside team meetings. This is particularly necessary in multi-national projects, such as the scheme to construct the Cross-Channel Tunnel, where team members are located *in more than one country*.

In addition, project leaders need to draw in members of the organization who are not directly involved with the project but who have a direct connection with its work and a large interest in its outcome.

In some cases, this may involve in-house 'political' sensitives. Prominent and prestigious *projects* attract a large number of self-appointed candidates who may prove disappointed and even *resentful* at not being asked to take part — something one project manager termed the "wedding invitation syndrome".

In these circumstances, the skills required of project leaders are far more sophisticated than in the past. As a *result, there is a corresponding change in* the way management training is being designed.

At Ashridge Management College, for example, their course Leading Projects Effectively places a far greater emphasis on experimental learning covering interpersonal and communication skills than quantitative management techniques such as critical path analysis.

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"The nature of project work often means that project leaders have little opportunity to meet each other," explains course tutor Michael Geddes. "As a result they do not realize or appreciate their own strengths and weaknesses."

The diversity of the participants show how far project work has now spread. Sponsoring organizations include retailers, breweries, insurance companies, civil service departments, banks, engineering companies and scientific research organizations.

Some managers on the course were experienced project leaders; others were junior line managers plucked from their specialist functions, contracted consultants and an academic head-hunted to manage a prestige research and development *project*.

Most felt that project managers have the impossible task of "looking in all directions at the same time". One described the experience as "like swimming through a soggy rice pudding". Many were *surprised at the common components in the* successful management of widely different projects.

Most appreciated the chance to meet their opposite numbers. The delicate task of balancing conflicting interests, and the nebulous position of being responsible to senior management for a task that will affect differing functions in an organization, often make project *management an isolating experience*.

As Mr Geddes said: "Project leaders have to develop close working relationships with the senior manager or director to whom they are responsible and will *have access to confidential information*. They also have to work closely with staff who may not relish the idea of working with someone so closely identified with senior management.

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Class II (Div 2): S J Croucher: K L Deans: L J Moss. J L Sabel: C J M Smyth: S E Stanworth

History of the Fine and the Decorative Arts
Class I: D C Rooke
Class II (Div 1): R E Jones
Class II (Div 2): A R Warden: S C Whitts

International History and Politics
Class I: R Lord
Class II (Div 1): N E Agarwal: S M Ball: R M Beddard. D J Berman: M E F Cronin. N H Gibson: J C Hand: E A Holmes: I R C Howling: K S Jackson: A B Latham: N H Lauer: P F Quinn: M J Rayner: J L Sayer: A W Salyes: R C Smith: J L Spatcher. A Whiting: P A Whyatt
Class II (Div 2): S J Booth: J Coles: A C Elliott: R Gubas: A J D McMillan: D W Rimmer-Hall. A L Young

Italian and Management Studies
Class II (Div 2): E J Bytheway

Italian and Music
Class II (Div 2): J P Thompson

Italian and Portuguese
Class II (Div 2): A N Rochman

Italian Language and Literature with French
Class II (Div 1): A M Chapman
Class II (Div 2): S L Johnson: S V M Wellington

Italian with English Literature
Class II (Div 2): J W Cole
Class III: E C Barrett

Latin and Ancient History
Class II (Div 2): F A Clancy: S L Williamson: B Wood

Linguistics and Phonetics
Class II (Div 1): P R Douglas. J H Sharples: S J Storey
Class II (Div 2): R A Paoli. H J Thompson; A Wharton

Management Studies and Philosophy
Class II (Div 2): M J Devine

Managemnet Studies and Sociology
Class II (Div 1): R A May

Management Studies and Spanish
Class II (Div 1): A J Matheson. S R Warren
Class II (Div 2): M H W Ager. A L Bastu: S J Gorley

Modern Chinese Studies
Class I: J Duckett
Class II (Div 1): M S A Chi: H T Farquharson: A L Gorely. S C Howlett. M R Lynn. H F Ruck.
Class II (Div 2): C M Jones. P S Jones: A L Knibb. G C McCracken. T L Pringle. F G Rouffet. R Tassie. S P Thompson: C R Torrens
Class III: H E Hughes. T Richards. R E Shepherd
Pass: T L Hung

Modern Languages and Literatures (French and German)
Class II (Div 1): J M Bird: G Boardman. C Bowser. M Murphy. H M Stafford: M J Taylor. H E Thompson
Class II (Div 2): B W Barrow: J E Bateman. D Brooks. E A Cheetham: F Cowie: H M Davies: M J De Garis: J M Kherwood: A Johns: L F Mitchell: C C Reed. C Shorrocks. K L Watts: A Whitehead. M W Yale
Class III: B W Lovell
Pass: A C Sowter

Modern Languages and Literatures (French and Italian)
Class II (Div 1): D Barratt. M Crow: L M McNeill

Modern Languages and Literatures (French and Russian)
Class II (Div 1): A Blackburne: J Harrison: J R Hobson. A M Stevens
Class II (Div 2): H E Morris

Modern Languages and Literatures (French and Spanish)
Class I: M C Bennett
Class II (Div 1): J I Abadi. P T Boland: A V Firth: A Holland: N J Regan
Class II (Div 2): D J Evans: C Lucas: C B Taylor. M Toolan: H Wright

Modern Languages and Literatures (German and Italian)
Class II (Div 2): D A Townsend

Modern Languages and Literatures (German and Russian)
Class I: J D A Folan
Class II (Div 2): A A McNulty
Class III: C R Broadbridge

Modern Languages and Literatures (Italian and Spanish)
Class II (Div 2): G Risorto

Music
Class I: D Batliwalla. K L Markham
Class II (Div 1): M N Daines: M J Woodcock
Class II (Div 2): K J Annetts. D H Barker. J Brisfall: C Chaplin. P M Chesterfield: E J Cooper. H M Lewis: A Loo: S J Neal. S W Rees. M J Sims

Music and Religious Studies
Class II (Div 2): S N Wilkinson

Philosophy
Class I: L N Jewell
Class II (Div 1): I S N Berkeley: B J M Lowe: J B Smith
Class II (Div 2): C E Levy. A C Smith: J M Sowa: L H Thomson. P R Wisdom
Class III: N G Caley

Philosophy and Politics
Class II (Div 1): S C Parry

Philosophy and Psychology
Class II (Div 1): P A Barnes: V Edwards
Class II (Div 2): J M Harrington

Philosophy and Religious Studies
Class II (Div 1): M C Crossley

Philosophy and Roman Civilization
Class II (Div 2): A C Bavidge

Philosophy and the History of Scientific Thought
Class II (Div 1): V R Kaluza: N W R Wright
Class II (Div 2): A M Brunning: J Ewens
Class III: S Arthur

Political Studies
Class I: S J Ashman. G I Neale: D W Smith
Class II (Div 1): J Clarke: M J Curtis: M Dustin: S P Hornsby-Smith: D M Jones: D J Lunn: M J C Lyon: N A Marsden: J M Rayner: A G L Savage: N Walker: V H Wilkins: S A Wills: D K Winters
Class II (Div 2): J C Bedford: L A Clement: G T Davies: N Engel: C S M Frasa: J Hardwick: M C Smith: F J Tordoff: A N Wallace:
Zegro: P Thompson

Politics and Parliamentary Studies
Class I: J J Ash
Class II (Div 1): R Oakley: J J Ricketts: T Z Smith: R T Vaudry: G M Webber

Politics and Social Policy
Class II (Div 1): S J Ridout
Class II (Div 2): P M Foley

Politics and Sociology
Class II (Div 1): J Callaghan: J Kenyon: H J Standring: A Walker
Class II (Div 2): J A Douglas: J J Gilson

Portuguese and Spanish
Class II (Div 1): N S Bursion: D P Enthoven: S D Macvicker: L E McDonald
Class II (Div 2): R Chesters: S E Schorah

Psychology and Management Studies
Class II (Div 1): J P Martin
Class II (Div 2): T J Fox

Psychology and Sociology
Class II (Div 1): M J Hamer: L A Rodgers: N C Smart: E Williams: L M Woolnough: L Y F Wu
Class II (Div 2): H L Angie: J Collett: A L Dodds: S Hemani: D L Settler: M Sidney
Class III: G Mulvaney

Religious Studies and the History of Scientific Thought
Class II (Div 1): A C Gibson

Russian Studies
Class I: S J Grantham
Class II (Div 1): D D J C Fox: J C Norton: M Pierelli
Class II (Div 2): M S Armitage: P M Harvey: H D Mackay: J D Wall
Class III: L Bales

Russian with French
Class II (Div 1): J Carroll

Russian with Management Studies
Class II (Div 1): M N Arts

Social Policy and Administration
Class I: J M Anstee: K J Hopewell
Class II (Div 1): S J Baxendale: H Carver: S Hobbs: G J Lynch: A J Shindler: A M Wilson
Class II (Div 2): C Anderson: C E Armstrong: H E Cook: J C Corfield: J M Denney: A-M Lynch: F M Owens: H L Parker: S Popal: H Price: J Roberts: A Southwell: R N Spurr: C Upton: K Wilcockson. S M Wilkin: S C Williams
Pass: G T Armstrong

Social Policy and Sociology
Class II (Div 1): K M Hudson
Class II (Div 2): K J Hakanoglu

Sociology
Class II (Div 1): M Gee: N M Hardy: H J Moss. R M Osborne: C Rice. S P Smith: A J Watson: J D Webster
Class II (Div 2): M R Betts: K H Boyland. A P Garratt. C P George: K T Graham. T T Jones: L M Jones: D Lanski: P J Mapleden: J S Molyneux: J D Moran. R C Phipps: J Woodard: R J Yates
Class III: J L Murray: W Weston
Zegro: D Laybourn

Sociology and History of Science
Class II (Div 2): J Wells

Spanish Language and Literature with English
Class II (Div 1): A P Ablett

Spanish Languageand Literature with French
Class II (Div 2): C F Dyson: S Wilsher

Spanish Languageand Literature with Italian
Class II (Div 1): P Riccardi

Spanish with Portuguese
Class II (Div 2): N J Hunt: R A Hunt

Textile Design
Class I: S A Moore: J L Webb
Class II (Div 1): A Allanson: S S Axten: A J Bulmer: E J Hicks: H J Rogers: I E Swaine: G A N Yahampath
Class II (Div 2): R E Blanshard: H C Cartwright. A C Impey: C M Reed: J C Walson: C M Wilsor H J Wood
Class III: Z L Francis. N S Ross: D M Toman
Pass: G A Gregory: C M Rose

Textile Management
Class I: E L Adams
Class II (Div 1): S J Bates: M D Conway: E M King: D Robson
Class II (Div 2): P J Baker: E B Fidler: S L Foskett: S P D Garner: E J Hawkins: E A Hollis: R Huxley: B E Mazurkiewicz. J D McMahon. J L Ovington. J J Pears. M C Y Poi. K Robinson. B Soon. C J Stothard. A A Walsh
Class III: S L Bennison. S L A Briggs: F L Brothers. S R Kingelmann. G Kyriakides. Erman. F C Ong. Z D Topper. K F E Yue
Pass: C J B Mason. T A Murphy

Theology and Religious Studies
Class I: P A Knights. C J Maunders. E Sealey
Class II (Div 1): J Ball. A P Balson: A M Benson. A Chapman. N Clews. J A Fairburn. S Hoyle: S E Knight: J Marzec. G R Smith. L P Stanfield
Class II (Div 2): M T Bown: J S Clarke. M C Gibson. E Gilmurray. S T McMahon. K A Murphy. S D M Pellett. S J Ray: C S Rix: P F Roberts. A J Simpson. P Taylor: N Tyrer: E C Wayne. M E Yapp
Class III: J A Hillen: A Moore

Dental Surgery (Hons)
I J Aird: D I Cook. N P Dobson: K B Raw. A Tugnall

B Eng

Ceramics Science and Engineering
Class II (Div 1): S H Pyke
Class II (Div 2): R V Bennett: D J Davison. J A Harrison: P Turnbull
Class III: M G Thomas

Chemical Engineering
Class II (Div 1): D K Robbins
Class II (Div 2): R J Barnish. A G Blay. H C Chan. S J Cuming. P Gardiner: M B Hawlin. K A Johnson: B Kalsi. L R Kabish. P J O'Neill. F A Omare: J E Pares. J C Pashley. K Patel. A Persaud. M G Ripley. N Staley. A I Wilson. G D Woods
Class III: J C Beazard: A C M Cumming: M T D'Alberton: P A Denny. A J Fox: D A Hague: M J Hanson. R D Hayton: R J A Kean. M B Ratcliffe: J Rothwell: S M Smith
Pass: J M Mills. R W Wallace
Pass at Ordinary: S J Brewin: R J C Davies. S Graham: S M Welsby

Civil Engineering
Class I: E Cham: F B Mok: R Thorpe: F P Tsang. J J Weld: S C Wiggins: W K Wong. W L Yong
Class II (Div 1): E A Bullock: B H Cheah: E H-M Cheung. S K T Chin. B E Evans: R J Harlan. C Y Ho: R W Jackson. G J Pople. J M Ryan: C H Thung
Class II (Div 2): K B Aduhene: S L A Au. D A Barnes. M J Blair: M J Bullock. A J R Cadden. A P Chadwick. A Davies: C Donnelly: R D Doyle: J Dyer: P J Ewing. N C E Harries. A J Henderson: G Houghton: E E Hull. R Idris. J Kingswell: F W Lee: S K Liew: A C Mann. N T Manserah. A Moore: N Morley: O C Onyenaka: D R Paleman: D R Robinson. C E Rourke. T M Tan. A C Westby: N E Wheller. S M Winchcombe: Y C Yap
Class III: M P Chan: M A P Dawson. R Draycott. A E Game. A N L Green: A J Marsh. J E H Mason. R J Moss. A A Potts. D J Rawson
Pass: A H Bahaudin. A G Leadbetter: N A Roynon

Civil Engineering with Architecture
Class II (Div 2): A Majalih
Class III: J G Bradbury: R I Carmichael: R Docherty: H O Ezegi: J A Figueira. S J H Kassack: T A Nutor

Electrical and Electronic Engineering
Class I: K L Chan: Y L Cheung. N R Clausen: A R Hall. M A Harry: J Hunter. S Ikeawi. S M Jackson. F Y Law: J J Mitchell: R J Powell. M A Tebby
Class II (Div 1): C P Angold-Stephens: H M Astley-Jones: R J Barry: S P Chan: M Y Cheung. Y S Cheung: N P Clark. D I Colquhoun: S J Dabecki: C Dederding: C S Dicken: J W Farnshaw. M Gledhill. M J Ireland. D G Lomas: S R Macey: C L Marshall: J F Nixon. D Petty: T M Roberts. A Scheidegger: C J V Schofield: E E Shaer: M D South: M N Stevenson: C A Vasiet
Class II (Div 2): M L Anderson: M Bickerstaff: C M Chung: N Clift: S M Collier: H K Dawson: A Feeney: G E Green: P W G Hooper: P Langford. P Lotus: R Mallinson: S P O'Flaherty: W J Rance. M J W Walker: A M Webb. K P T Wong
Class III: P A Booth: D A Boyce: D Panchal: A K Rayit: D C Rea: I Russell: J R Swift. S P Turner
Pass: S I Haddock

Fuel and Energy Engineering
Class I: S D Roser
Class II (Div 1): N J Clark: R M Everest: P R Goddard: M P W Howell: J D Smith: A V Wilton. P E Wright
Class II (Div 2): D A Carter: L Charalambous: B S Y Cheng: J R W Foreman: J Hardy: A Kastanaki: J E Kingsland: H A Robertson: A H Shah
Class III: A R Candlin: V Biadis: D Katsiroubas: S Sharma
Pass: N D Witney
Pass at Ordinary: B O Schaathun

Materials Science and Engineering
Class II (Div 1): P E Cowen: P Nutbein: D Tissington
Class II (Div 2): B T S Baker: J S James: M S J Lathom-Sharp: P A Stafford
Class III: M J Dean: B G Hepworth: N P M Parsons: R D Presland: M Tempest. P L Young

Mechanical Engineering
Class I: A D Ball: P I Bennett: A J Brade: P A Dempster: P Duff: N Harrison. C B Holmes: R W Luck: A D Millican: F K Navesey: A Whitfield: P A J Wood
Class II (Div 1): W A Bell. M J Bielby: R A Cann: F A Cole: A G Cooper: A J Corfield: R J Dance: G S Hall: I Hirons: M Jacks: R Johannessen: T J Joyce: A D Knill-Jones. A Lawson: G P Meeks: P I Neave: J R Panting: J P Ruffley: D W Shuttlewood: M P Spooner: A G Starr: D H Taylor: S M Vickers
Class II (Div 2): M A B Abdullah: D P Baker: A Bell: D W H Bretherton. N M Dunn: D C Eaglen: P N Garnett: P C Hancock: M L Jolly: I Kayawe: H Malone: M McDonald: J C Muckelroy: R I Parker: G M Seed: A J Webster
Class III: J G Allen: S R Currie: M Delafield: S J Hughes: A J James: A McClure: J M Sedgwick: R C Tah: R Walker. R Zallani
Pass: A L Memmott: D C Ritchie
Pass at Ordinary: R K Ferreira

Metallurgy
Class II (Div 1): M A McGrath: D W Mellor: C Mercer: N A Millwood: M Tuffs: D M Weston
Class II (Div 2): J P Bowers: J E Field: P N Hewitt: G T Holton: G B Lewis: K D Lownsborough: P M O'Connor

Mineral Engineering
Class I: A N Pawlyn
Class II (Div 1): G R Harrison
Class II (Div 2): J C Blake: P J Davies: M C D Griffiths: M J Hollingworth: F K McKerracher: G Moores: S J Numwick: J A Tibbitt
Class III: G T Barlow: K Cardall: G J Davies: R J Sloggett
Pass at Ordinary: J D Allen: R I Hickton: N P Smalley

Mining Engineering
Class I: D H Cooper: W Marchant
Class II (Div 1): G Huckle: D Price: R D Wilkinson: I A Woodley
Class II (Div 2): J V Bebell: P G Feasey: R W Hall: G G Kelburn: O Lekic: M Long: R J Templeton: A R Twalls
Class III: D P Beardsley: J M Chite: S P Cleminson: S J Hall: A C Leadbetter. G J Sharman: J M H Sullivan
Pass: R G Crouch: P J Simons

B Eng (Ord)

Civil Engineering
Pass: N R Deacon: D M Hewitt: S Hinsley: S Maild: Z Makosha. A C Turner

Electrical and Electronic Engineering
Pass: S H Knowles

Fuel and Energy Engineering
Pass: M R Ackroyd

Mechanical Engineering
Pass: H M Dabbas: D S Madders. B V O'Toole

Mineral Engineering
Pass: S E Darch: S A McAleer

Mining Engineering
Pass: N Hardie

Quarrying
Pass: M Cowlam: M German: M I L Greenwood. A H Harker: G Herbert. P A Marsden: J P Napier: M J Tetley: M S Williamson

BSc

Accounting and Data Processing (Combined)
Class I: A P Wilde
Class II (Div 1): I B Jonnson
Class II (Div 2): J E Curry: M G Hewson: H W Ho: P G Howard: K E Ng: Y K Wong
Class III: M D Bleazard: S M Davison: J L Wood

Agricultural Chemistry
Class II (Div 1): A P P Thorp: G P R Yeales
Class II (Div 2): S M Edwards: J Sanvoisin: P G Wilson: J M Wimmington
Class III: T R Barry
Pass at Ordinary: M A Keam

Agricultural Science (Animal Science):
Class I: S Osborn
Class II (Div 1): J Y de Belin: M T Gordon: S H Lacey. B L Milner: R C Morris: A S Rinomhota: J A S Ryan: S J Tillotson: H R Trunkfield
Class II (Div 2): E A M Bowen. R A Critchley: D J Elsmore: M E Fernandez-Corugedo: K C Potter: M A Ray: L W Stewart: C C Taylor
Class III: C J Marsh: V E Rowsell

Agricultural Science (Crops)
Class II (Div 1): J J Dale: J M L Davis: G R Haigh: G Hall: S L Nicholson: A Razdan: J J Tann
Class II (Div 2): T A Dawes: A R Dukes: C A S Maguire. M A Price: J Sweeney
Class III: G R A Dye

Agricultural Zoology
Class I: L C Houlnham
Class II (Div 1): J D Bembridge: S E Cowgill: T Fisk. D A C Jones. P D F McMichael
Class II (Div 2): L D K Buttery: G C Coburn: R A Colman. D R K Griffiths. J A Heath: S P Hoy: J B Matthews: S R Nesfield: R Plant: K S Shevde. N P C Strachan: E A Trower. P C Vaughan. C H Walker. D R I Walker.
Class III: R J Shacklady.

Anatomy
Class I: S P Hutchinson.
Class II (Div 1): C A Hewison
Class II (Div 2): S A Jones.

Animal Physiology and Nutrition
Class I: K Watts.
Class II (Div 1): A D Forgrave. G M Frederick. D E Harrolve: K K A Paulsen
Class II (Div 2): F A Murphy.

Biochemistry
Class I: J H Fentem: C H Lui: K L Tatoen
Class II (Div 1): M Onran: M D Garrett: S Grange: C Hayton. A P Jones: J M Ponting. M G Poulson. R J Reece. M C Taylor. R M Taylor. C L Turner. D L Varley: S R Wood
Class II (Div 2): T R Bosworth. N J Dawes. T Hatton: A J Hirst. J K Jackson: A Lambriadou. M E Taylor. L Turner.
Class III: M L Fairhurst: N P Gorman: J R Maber.

Biochemistry and Chemistry
Class II (Div 2): S M Brooks. S A Stones.

Biochemistry and Food Science
Class I: E J Miller
Class II Div1): A J Durham.
Class II (Div 2): M Sarkar.

Biochemistry and Genetics
Class II (Div 1): E W Edwards. J H R Penty: G D Shepherd. J D Swift: B S Ubhi
Class II (Div 2): K Mitchell: C A Skinner: D T Watzner.
Class III: Y Choudry. D M Nicholas.

Biochemistry and Microbiology
Class II (Div 1): S J Kitchener: S Rutherford. J A Woolley.
Class III: S P Massey.

Biochemistry and Pharmacology
Class II (Div 1): H M C Alford: E I L Ashforth. C M Brown. S L F Chan: J D D Pottinger. J Thompson
Class II (Div 2): J M A Williams
Class III: D J Lalee. S M Wellcome
Pass: H Chudasma. P M A Fieh.

Biochemistry and Physiology
Class III: P S O'Hara

Biochemistry in Relation to Medicine
Class II (Div 1): N J Chawda: D S Churen. S Edwards: C J Patterson: S Prasad. S R Preston. Y Thiru.
Class II (Div 2): N S Brindle: S Goyal.

Biophysics
Class I: H J Swift
Class II (Div 1): K L Britton: A H Clark. W S Somers: C J Terry. F M Young.
Class II (Div 2): S H Emmony. T A Hutchinson: F A Jackson: S A Kirk: S J Marrin: U M Murray: M J Weddell. A Whitehead
Class III: M F Shufflebotham.
Pass at Ordinary: A M D Labib: T J Wardle.

Biophysics and Genetics
Class II (Div 2): P Baker.

Biophysics and Mathematics
Class II (Div 1): A C Newsome

Biophysics and Zoology
Class II (Div 1): R P Funke: E Proctor.

Biotechnology
Class I: R Moffatt
Class II (Div 1): D J P Bond: S B Greenwood: R O King: S I Koh-Luar: C M Lachs: S R Viloria.
Class II (Div 2): S Carnaby: C J Peel: M Thomson: C C Toyn.

Chemical Pathology
Class II (Div 1): R J R Mansfield: I D Pedley: G Walters.
Class II (Div 2): R H Hutchinson.

Chemical Sciences
Class I: A R Knaggs: F J Sloan.
Class II (Div 1): S C Binks. C T Halsall: M F Hill: J N Timpson: J A Whitley.
Class II (Div 2): C R Attridge: Y Khan: D J Wakelin.
Class III: M Davies: R L Knowles: M P Roscoe. J J Sherwin.
Pass: A W Welsh
Pass at Ordinary: J Dix: G H Jones: P J M Jones: G J McParlin: I M Sharpe.

Chemistry
Class I: C Burt: J K Dutton: T G Laffey: G Singh.
Class II (Div 1): J A Ascough: L C Chan: S Firkins: D F Hansen: J T H Harrison. S J Horler: M M Kgaphola: J C Lowe. S D Naisbitt: R J Packer: R J Smith: D L Teare: H P Tucker: P J Webb. J T Wilson: F J Witt.
Class II (Div 2): M A Banham: I R Barnes: S J Bell. D P Bradshaw: C E Hall. E H Jackson: D C Nelson: K Patel. C J Pearson: C A Power: S E Reynolds: M J Scanlon: P Sood: M A Stout: E P Thomas.
Class III: A M Allen: A L Brandwood: P S Burrows. S R Carter: N J Cole. J Kinzler: A H Swann: S C Wellings.
Pass: J C Rigg.
Pass at Ordinary: A M R Brown. D K Downey: P C Plume: N Siddiqi: H G Zegro.

Chemistry and Colour Chemistry
Class I: L Jackson.
Class II (Div 1): A M Wildman.

Chemistry and Computational Science
Class II (Div 2): P I Raymond.

Chemistry and Geological Sciences
Class II (Div 2): T M Goddard: D C Thomas.

Chemistry and Mathmatics
Class I: N J A White.

Chemistry and Physics
Class II (Div 1): J Rasburn.
Class III: I Lindley.

Civil Engineering
Class II (Div 2): N H Reynolds.

Civil Engineering and French
Class II (Div 1): K C Pavitt.

Colour Chemistry
Class I: S N Corns.
Class II (Div 1): A J Cattermole. K J Dodd. H M Dowling.
Class II (Div 2): S Bradshaw: I P Cooper: S N Croft: S C Earl: L A Parkin. S M Smith. H Westland.
Class III: P N Dines. B A Smith M Wise. L J Wright
Pass: T Mason: A M Whitehead
Pass at Ordinary: D J Forster

Computational Science
Class I: M P Beech. D T Cliff. C H C Lai. G Streeter. P G Williams
Class II (Div 1): C H Kan. K E Molla: B M Murray. S A Smith: P I Stanley: N P Tolan
Class II (Div 2): E D Benson. M E Blakeman. S Calcer: J P Collins. S J Cresswell. A S Faruqui. S J Fielding. N A Hurd. J P Hopkins: D Jarvis. J A Knox. M C Lip. G Maunder. K R Morley. R C V Ng. J H Stirling: D H E Whitman
Class III: N D Barden: P M Bowman. P Chan. G N Ellison: D M Harris. K Jenkinson. E T Jones. M R Latham: C L Lidstone. M A Lynskey: J Matthews. D Mayger. D F Miers. D S Ponton: S M Price. J A Reece: M N Yin.
Pass: S Hallmarsh: M J Tenn-Lynn: R M Twissell
Pass at Ordinary: J Sygrove.

Computational Science and Economics
Class III: K G Williams

Computational Science and Management Studies
Class II (Div 2): C C Chan.
Class III: C C So

Computational Science and Mathematics
Class II (Div 2): O N Au: R J Moir
Class III: C M Evans.

Computational Science and Physics
Class II (Div 1): J P C Smith.

Computational Science and Statistics
Class II (Div 2): M H Wong.

Data Processing
Class I: M Chau: D J Moore.
Class II (Div 1): G Sammut.
Class II (Div 2): I J Arnett: P H K Chang: A Hao. A C Hausser: M J Naughton. S J Wade
Class III: S D Mistry: D Motuang. P C Wong.

Data Processing and Management Studies
Class II (Div 2): O Y Lee.
Class III: S Yahya

Ecology
Class II (Div 1): D M Faure: M J Grindle: J McLoughlin.
Class II (Div 2): I B Butterfield. J L Dallimore. M C Davis: H B Fraser. K Hamilton. J R Lihou. F C McCullagh: S Reed. S D Rickard

Economics and Mathematics
Class II (Div 2): P J Smith.
Class III: D O Palmer: S A Rogers.

Economics and Statistics
Pass at Ordinary: V A Knight.

Electrical and Electronic Engineering
Class I: J T Green.
Class II (Div 1): J D Bigg: R W Brown: R M North
Class II (Div 2): A A MacGill: N M Troop
Class III: A B Roberts
Pass: J E Dolan. D J Greenwood.

Food Science
Class II (Div 1): A J Clappen: F W Herbert: S J Impey: E Simpson: H M Terry: J Thomlinson: C A Thompson.
Class II (Div 2): R H Howard: G H James: S Jones: F A Norton: S K Boue. M R Selen: D E Singleton: G P Stuart-Brown. C A Ward.
Class III: S R Bullin: S J Goddard: R L Kite. W E Owen.

Food Science and Microbiology
Class II (Div 2): A L M Jury.
Class III: R J Cartwright.

Fuel and Combustion Science
Class II (Div 2): M J Kohn: M J Shuter.

Fuel and Energy and Management Studies
Pass: A W Kenworthy.

Genetics
Class I: C Laity.
Class II (Div 1): S A Albone: T J Arrowsmith: C A Foy: J L Hall: H P Lang: M D Weitzman.
Class II (Div 2): C Connolly: H E Higgins: A R Hodder: S Shrestha: R J Wills: S Young.

Genetics and Microbiology
Class II (Div 1): S J Talbot.
Class II (Div 2): L D Piper: T Potter.

Genetics and Plant Biology
Class II (Div 1): R E Nicolson.

Genetics and Zoology
Class II (Div 1): M P Speed.
Class II (Div 2): T R Houghton.

Genetics in Relation to Medicine
Class II (Div 1): R Gupta.

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Pass: B Shirsavar

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Pass (with distinction): P E Bolt. J Cavanagh. D Collings: J A Dealler.

Civil Engineering
Pass: B G Arden: J Blades: R D Chatterton. P E Cooper. C R Cozens. K M Hampson. S Houghton. A C Menzies: S Palmer: G E Thomas: C D Wilson

Civil Engineering with Architecture
Pass: N P Rayner: S M Small: K P White
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UNIVERSITY NEWS

Manchester
Professor C B Cox. John Edward Taylor Professor of English Literature, to be Pro-Vice-Chancellor for three years from September 1.
Mr Ian Watson, Senior Lecturer in Computer Science, to be Professor of Computer Science from August 1
Mr Howard Barringer, Senior Lecturer in Computer Science, to be Professor of Computer Science from August 1.
Mr Nigel Bruce Vincent, at present Lecturer in Linguistics at the University of Cambridge, to be Mont Follick Professor of Comparative Philology in the Department of General Linguistics, from October 1.
Mr Raymond Courtenay Tallis, at present Senior Lecturer in Geriatric Medicine at the University of Liverpool, to be Professor of Geriatric Medicine
Mr Kenneth Douglas, at present Lecturer in Biological Chemistry at the University of Essex, to be Professor of Medicinal Chemistry in the Department of Pharmacy, from September 1.
Mr John Derek Jackson, Senior Lecturer in Engineering, to be Professor of Mechanical Engineering.
Mr John David Elsworth, at present Senior Lecturer in the School of Modern Languages and European History at the University of East Anglia, to be Professor of Russian Studies from August 1.
Mr Roy Leonard Payne, at present Senior Research Fellow at the MRC ESRC Social and Applied Psychology Unit in the Department of Psychology, University of Sheffield, to be Professor of Organizational Behaviour in the Manchester Business School and in the Faculty of Business Administration for a period of five years from September 1.

Appointments

Senior Lecturer in Economics in the Manchester Business School and in the Faculty of Business Administration: J A J Cockerill. Senior Lecturer in Family Planning in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology: Rosemary J E Kirkman; Senior Lecturer in Obstetrics and Gynaecology: S R Killick; Lecturer in Computer Science: Behnam Banieqbal; Lecturers in Electrical Engineering: A F Erwood, J J Miles; Lecturer in Primary Education in the Department of Education: Mrs Julia A Davies; Lecturer in Italian: Miss Gillian Sharman. Lecturers in Law: Andrew McGee. S R Weatherill.

Lecturers in Oral and Maxillo-Facial Surgery: Krystyna A Kowalska, Mark McGurk, P J Pamplin; Lecturer in Oral Medicine: Elizabeth D Theaker. Administrative Assistant in the Department of Education: Christina M Baker; Assistant Personnel Officer in the Registrar's Department: Catherine Tansey.

Grants

Research grants include:
From the Arthritis and Rheumatism Council, £79,871 under Dr J A Chapman for quantitative electron microscope studies of the assembly of fibrils from procollagen precursors.
From Atkins Research and Development: £75,000 under Dr G W A Newton for research into the comparison and experimental extension to thermodynamic databases.
From the British Heart Foundation: £55,739 under Dr J C Anderson for research into the investigation of abnormalities in the structure and distribution of protein components of human aorta which may predispose to dissecting aneurysms.
From the Cancer Research Campaign, £87,168 under Dr Anne Charlton and Professor Alwyn Smith for the CRC Education and Child Studies Research Groupa and core grant
From the Department of Health and Social Security: £69,800 under Dr Norma V Raynes for research into the cost and quality of residential care for mentally handicapped people.
From the Medical Research Council. £34,198 under Dr J H Gerrard for a numerical analysis and experimental study of wall stresses in models of arteries.
From the Science and Engineering Research Council: £173,400 under Professor B C Warboys and Dr I R Wilson for a software environment for FLAGSHIP: £47,795 under Dr G C King and Professor F H Read for studies of atoms and molecules by electron impact excitation
From the Transport and Road Research Laboratory: £195,906 under Professor C S B Galasko for research into long-term disability following road traffic accidents.

Hull
The Royal Society has awarded the Leverhulme Medal to Professor George Gray, of the Chemistry Department at the University of Hull. The medal is awarded every three years to the individual who has made the most significant contribution in that period in the fields of pure or applied chemistry, engineering or chemical engineering. It is made in Professor Gray's case "in recognition of his many contributions to the technologically important field of liquid crystals".

Sussex
Dr Ian John Russell has been promoted to a Professorship in Neurobiology from October 1.
Dr James Gilmore Manor has been awarded the title of Professorial Fellow from October 1, for the duration of his appointment as a Fellow of the Institute of Development Studies.

TOMORROW

Degree results from the universities of Sheffield and Warwick will be published.

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A world title fight that the Las Vegas odds-makers think they have sewn up

Tucker at work in a city of losers

From Simon Barnes, Las Vegas

It was, I think you will find, a gambler called Nick the Greek who said it. "The most exciting thing is to win. The next most exciting thing. . .is to lose."

They come to Las Vegas in their millions for the sole pleasure of losing. They come with a stash set aside for the sole purpose of surrender. It is the only town in the world that has been custom-built for people to lose in.

The visitors to Las Vegas won't express it quite that way themselves, of course. Certainly not Tony Tucker — not Tony TNT Tucker, who fights Mike Tyson, — 'Iron' Mike Tyson — for the chance of becoming the undisputed heavyweight champion of the world. Tyson is the World Boxing Association (WBA) and World Boxing Council (WBC) world heavyweight champion, Tucker is the International Boxing Federation (IBF) champion.

But so far as everyone here is concerned, Tucker will just be *there to make up the numbers.* In a boxing match, that is a fairly tough assessment. "Tyson's going to tear his face off," said one of those men who you wish didn't always sit next *to you in bars.*

How happy these Vegas visitors are when they think about the prospect of two superbly conditioned athletes trying to tear each other's faces off, while they sit around *in their bars* or around the gaming tables. No one works here, it seems, save the tireless, grim-faced dealers and pit-bosses, whose job it is to catch the money as the losers throw it at *them.*

Here everything is about entertaining people while they lose. As a prelude to the fight, you can see Gladys Knight and the Pips at the Hilton. You can also catch Sammy Davis Junior, Dean Martin, and Bobby Berosini's orangutans.

Las Vegas is America with its ethics turned neatly upside *down. Suddenly losing money is* glamorous and exciting: indeed, it is your duty not to make money but to lose it. And because Vegas is a 365-day-a-year festival of ritual licence, *behaving badly is perfectly* acceptable.

As one dealer said:"A lot of people come from small towns, and before they've *even* got here, they've already decided: "Well I don't know anybody in Las Vegas, I'm going to be an animal." Not Tucker, though: he is far too stylish a chap, far too pretty a mover.

Lured by the prospect of winning, the hordes come hot, primed and ready to lose. "Never before has it been possible to win so much for so little," says a card in my hotel room, telling me about the Pot-O-Gold dollar slot. My address is in Paradise Road.

A short cab ride away is the Little White Chapel ("Joan Collins was Married Here!"). Yes, you can gamble with absolutely anything here, and the chances are you will lose. And if you want a bet on the Tucker-Tyson match, you can get nine to one against the *elegant Tucker. Not bad for a* two-horse race.

Las Vegas odds-makers are not paying a pretty compliment to Tyson, nor do they want to *upset Tucker. They just want to* make a lot of money.

"I don't get mad, I just get motivated," said Tucker. He at least was not in a vacationing frame of mind. To go to the Golden Gloves Gym, a 10-buck cab ride from Paradise Road, is to suffer severe culture shock — this on top of the shock that Las Vegas has already handed out. *Suddenly the people are working* and the air conditioning is not.

Suddenly your nostrils are filled with the stink of sweat, your ears with the clatter of the speedball, the thumping of glove against bag, and the "shff shff!" and the "hngh, hngh!" of boxers working their guts out. Tucker slouched in, with that extraor*dinary, idle, foot-dragging walk* of an athlete in the highest possible condition. This is no longer the fantasy world of the casino. This is real, you think. And then you think again.

Tucker is tall and lanky but quite beautifully muscled, and as handsome as you could wish to see. You can only see the scar tissue round his eyes from up close. A bosomy man in a T-*shirt put him through the fierce* warm-up exercises a boxer must endure, and as a gopher began to take his hands for a sparring session he sweated and talked, both very forcefully.

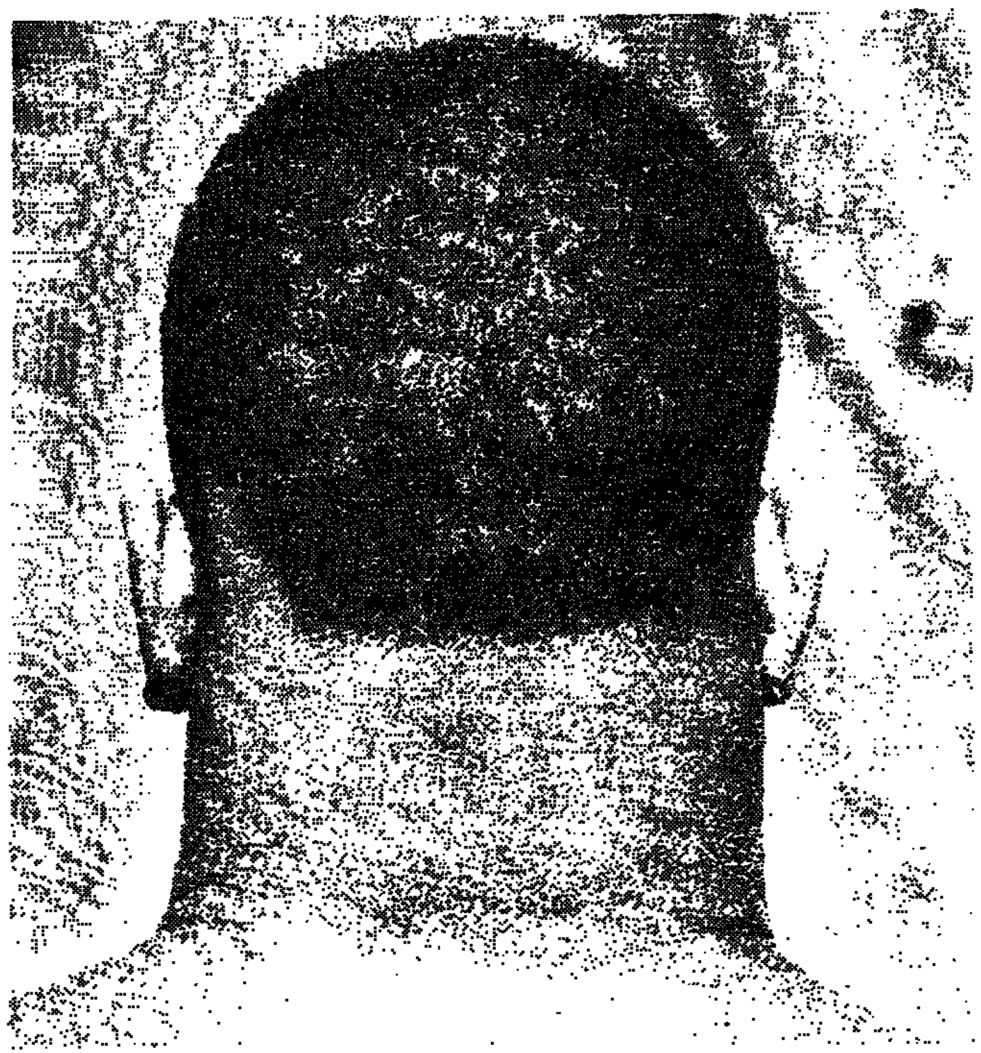
"If he loses, well, he'll be like Leonard and make a comeback. If I lose, I'll be out of boxing. I *have* to win."

But Tyson is as awesome as a 12-1 on shot could be. "But he's not a slick boxer. He's a slugger — I respect him though, as a good fighter. I don't want to go and beat a guy I've said is a bum!"

A roar of laughter from his team, as they huddle about him in their T-shirts and sweat trousers. There is a famous story about Tucker choosing not to get on a plane that went on to crash. "*Now I believe that God* has a purpose for me, and that purpose is to win. If I win, it will be in Jesus's name."

God, however, tends to side *with the big battalions.*

And, we asked him, do you think that those odds on you are quite fair? A snort of laughter:"Who's to say what's fair in Vegas?" Instruction by a casino to its employees:"Dealers should try to avoid using the word 'losing.'"



Sticking your neck out: just one reason why Tyson is favourite (Photograph: Albert Watson)

FISHING

Chances for sea sport

By Conrad Voss Bark

About this time of the year fathers of families have to forsake the rivers to take wives *and children to the seaside.* In between building sandcastles and playing stump cricket there are sometimes opportunities for real fishing.

As *a youth I remember fly* fishing for billet off the rocks at Flamborough Head in Yorkshire. Billet are called saithe in Scotland and coalfish in England. They take a medium-sized *fly quite well. We used a white* feather on a hook, about size six, for to give them a Jock Scott would be a little extravagant. Fried or baked billet makes quite reasonable eating for the family.

Fly fishing off rocks near Porthcurno and Looe Harbour in Cornwall can produce mackerel and pollack. Off St George's Island, if you can get within casting range of a mackerel shoal, you can take a number of fish which fight superbly well on a 2X cast.

On the whole, however, a light *salmon spinning-rod with a 10lb* breaking strain line to a Toby spoon and a Wye lead would give greater distance and certainly would be much safer for any onlookers than casting a fly from the rocks.

I remember taking a bass of about five or six pounds with a Toby spoon cast from rocks at Whistling Sands Bay in North Wales quite close to the sandcastle brigade. Estuaries in Cornwall like Hayle can produce some splendid drift fishing with a sinking or intermediate line.

Whatever you do, you must *wash your rod and reel and flies* after use. There is nothing like salt water for corroding metal. For more orthodox sea fishing with bait and paternosters, you should consult a paperback such as *The Modern Sea Angler* by Hugh Stoker (Robert Hale, £5.95).

SWIMMING

US record tumbles

Fresno, California (Reuter) — Steven Bentley recorded the world's fastest men's 200 metres breaststroke time this year at the US long course championships here yesterday, with a time of 2min 15.30sec.

As expected, Matt Biondi won the 100m freestyle. His time of 49.37sec in the heats was the eighth-fastest ever recorded and he won the final in 49.34sec

Amy Shaw became the first American woman to break the 2min 30sec barrier in the 200m breaststroke. Her time of 2min 29.78sec beat Susan Rapp's old record of 2min 31.77sec.

The successes continued a *sequence which was started by* Janet Evans on Monday, when she took more than two seconds off Tracey Wickham's world 800m freestyle record, to finish in 8min 22.44sec. Miss Evans, aged 15, swims in another three events before the meeting ends at the weekend.

SPORTS LETTERS

A view from the trackside

From Mr Nick Holdsworth and Ms Sarah Booth

Sir, It was while attending the 1986 British Grand Prix at Brands Hatch that we were dismayed to learn that the Formula One Constructors' Association had signed a contract to stage the British round of the Formula One world championship exclusively at Silverstone for the following five years. We now *learn that the* president of FOCA, Bernie Ecclestone, is to seek to improve Formula One's "tatty standards of presentation", beginning with Silverstone (July 17).

As members of the largest but least organized group connected with motor racing — to wit, trackside spectators — we write to express our profound regret that Brands Hatch has been excluded from the grand prix calendar, our great surprise that in all the ink spilled concerning improvements in facilities at Silverstone *not one word* has been addressed to the concerns of the spectator, and to offer to Silverstone Circuits Ltd and to Mr Ecclestone the briefest of indications as to what those concerns are.

Casual remarks exchanged and overheard at Silverstone during this year's grand prix weekend confirm our view that *Brands Hatch is the spectators'* favoured venue. The undulating and curvaceous Brands, being set in a natural bowl, has always been a delight because of the excellent views afforded of some *one third of the grand prix* circuit and virtually all of the shorter Indy circuit.

In contrast, Silverstone suffers the impediment of being set upon a plain, but little has been done to overcome this natural handicap by establishing adequate spectator banking so that from suitably raised positions the racing can be viewed with ease.

Two small examples must here suffice: first, the banking opposite the pits is so poor that, from the front, no more than the top few inches of a driver's helmet and car's rear wing is visible on the track; second, having paid an additional and exorbitant £10 for entrance to the centre of the circuit, we this year found the spectator banking at Woodcote Corner *no less than three-quarters fenced off to trackside spectators* for no very clear reason.

It seems that Silverstone will not erect what nature has not bestowed and the overall impression is one of a circuit which appears almost to resent the presence of the public, if not the public's money.

It is our belief that as long as the natural competitive edge enjoyed by Brands Hatch is contractually excluded from grand prix *racing,* then the lower standards evident at Silverstone will come to be the norm. Ironically, the motor racing public will then simply be unable to *see* Formula One's supposedly "tatty standards of presentation".

We therefore appeal to Mr Ecclestone to give as much thought to the needs of trackside *spectators* as to on-track competitors and to work for the return of at least one Formula One event to Brands Hatch so that the hitherto beneficial rivalry between this country's *premier motor racing circuits* can be restored.

Yours faithfully,
NICK HOLDSWORTH
5 Recreation Mount,
Leeds, W Yorkshire.
SARAH BOOTH
The Bungalow,
Garforth Cliff, W Yorkshire.
July 17.

Scorton takes bow

From Mr Colin Reid

Sir, Helen Simpson's story about Doggett's Coat and Badge (Spectrum, July 23) may have *started one of those hares which* every now and then race happily through your pages. Doggett's Race, although of some age, is far from this country's oldest annual sporting event.

The Society of Archers at Scorton held its first meeting at the Yorkshire village of Scorton on May 14, 1673, 22 archers shooting for a silver arrow. On May 30 this year over 100 archers met at Easingwold to compete for the same Antient silver arrow. A continuous record exists of the 279 captains of the arrow and the articles *agreed upon* by the society at Scorton in 1673 are still extant and followed in spirit if not quite to the letter.

The Scorton is in a line direct from the medieval styles of sporting archery and as such is unique in England. Helen Simpson mentioned Britain, however. Scotland has some older trophies still in play. The Musselburgh Silver Arrow dates at least from 1603, although it has long been in the possession of the Royal Company and so *arguably may not really claim to* be a continuous calendar event. The Scorton is open to all comers, whereas only members of the Royal Company may compete for its trophies.

Doggett's Race is, I believe, open only to Thames watermen, and great fun though it might be, it cannot claim the national standing of the Scorton.

Whether or not the shoot for the Antient Scorton Silver-Arrow is the oldest annual event in the country I know not, but it is the oldest open event in one of our most ancient sports.

Yours faithfully,
COLIN REID
Honorary Secretary,
Royal Toxophilite Society,
Archers Lodge,
102 Dropmore Road,
Burnham, Buckinghamshire.
July 23.

Pulling one's l-b-w leg

From Mr Chris Tooley

Sir, In your report of the final day's play of the Varsity cricket match (July 4) you say I threw my Harlequin cap and the match ball to the ground in anger after my suggestion that Cambridge should declare had been refused by Price, the Cambridge captain.

As those at the wicket could confirm, I threw the ball into the ground in *mock* anger when an l-b-w appeal was turned down by umpire Harris — everyone knew there was no chance of the appeal being upheld. It was merely a piece of harmless fun at a time when the match was completely dead as a contest. No offence was meant and certainly none taken.

Yours sincerely,
CHRIS TOOLEY
Captain, Oxford University CC,
Magdalen College,
Oxford.

Wrong approach

From Mr A. R. Morton

Sir, David Miller chooses an excellent subject for his article on the Open Championship at Muirfield (July 21). His criticisms and comments about the "sad end to a glorious event" are, however, targeted wide of the mark (as was Paul Azinger's iron approach shot to the 18th green). The truly sad end to the event (and indeed acknowledged as such by the maligned organizers) was the cheer from the gallery as the ball finished in a bunker.

Thus golf, heralded in previous editions of *The Times* as a game where cheats and cheating *do not perforce exist,* loses this reputation and joins sports like rugby, where once silence preceded any attempt at a placed kick.

I would detract nothing from Nick Faldo's championship win; none the less, it is a sad reflection of British patriotism to see it carried to yet another unacceptable length.

Yours faithfully,
A. R. MORTON
94 Hague Bar,
New Mills, Derbyshire.
July 21.

From Ronald and Evelyn Dickenson

Sir, We are glad David Miller criticized the prize-giving ceremony at the Open (July 21). It was shoddy and snobbish. Not a word did anyone speak of our new British champion, nor the challengers; but plenty about committees and greenkeepers. It should have been a moment to savour. As you said, the occa*sion needed* a touch of grandeur and in our view a warm acclaim of the new champion.

Yours faithfully,
RONALD AND EVELYN DICKENSON
11 Outways Lane,
Ashtead, Surrey.
July 21.

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Mental health review tribunal power

Regina v Oxford Regional Mental Health Review Tribunal and Another, Ex parte Secretary of State for the Home Department

Before Lord Bridge of Harwich, Lord Brandon of Oakbrook, Lord Ackner, Lord Oliver of Aylmerton and Lord Goff of Chieveley

[Speeches July 29]

Where a mental health review tribunal deferred a direction for the conditional discharge of a restricted patient made under section 73(2) of the Mental Health Act 1983 for the purpose of making the necessary arrangements, the tribunal had no power under section 73(7) to reconsider the decision made under subsection (2).

The House of Lords so held when dismissing an appeal by Mr Ernest Campbell against the decision of the Court of Appeal (*Lord Justice Lawton, Lord* Justice Stephen Brown and Sir John Megaw) (*The Times* April 28, 1986; [1986] 1 WLR 1180) who allowed an appeal by the applicant, the Secretary of State for the Home Department, against the refusal by Mr Justice Woolf to grant judicial review of the decision of the Oxford Regional Mental Health Review Tribunal to order the conditional discharge of Mr Campbell.

Mr David Sullivan, QC and Mr Oliver Thorold for the appellant; Mr Nigel Pleming for *the secretary of state.*

LORD BRIDGE said that Mr Campbell had been subject to a hospital order under section 60 of the Mental Health Act 1959 and a restriction order without time limit under section 65.

A mental health review tribunal was now empowered to order the discharge of a "restricted patient," such as Mr Campbell, under section 73 of the Mental Health Act 1983.

In June 1984 Mr Campbell applied to the respondent tribunal for his discharge. The *consultant psychiatrist* who had been responsible for his care and treatment since 1981 reported to the effect that discharge would be quite inappropriate.

The secretary of state, who was clearly the only party capable of representing any interest the public might have in opposing his discharge, notified the tribunal of his opposition. The tribunal heard and deter*mined the application,* but in breach of the rules the secretary of state was not given notice of the hearing.

The tribunal directed that Mr Campbell should be conditionally discharged, such discharge to be deferred to June 28, 1985, for proposals to meet the conditions to be prepared.

That decision was made in breach of the rules and, more importantly, in breach of the most fundamental rule of natural justice in that the secretary of state, as a vitally interested party, was denied a hearing.

Whatever view be taken as a matter of construction of the interaction between subsections (2) and (7) of section 73, it was difficult to see how the tribunal's decision could properly stand. *Such a fundamental* flaw as vitiated the proceedings leading to the decision called for a complete rehearing *de novo.*

Turning to the construction of section 73, a mental health review tribunal had first to address the issue of whether it were satisfied as to one or other of the matters referred to in paragraph (*a*) of subsection 1 — (i) that the patient's disorder was not "of a nature or degree which makes it appropriate for him to be liable to be detained in hospital for medical treatment", or (ii) that it was not necessary for his own health or safety or for the protection of others "that he should receive such treatment".

If it was so satisfied, and satisfied that the patient did not need to remain liable to be recalled to hospital, the tribunal had to direct his absolute discharge. If it thought he should remain liable to recall, it could only contemplate a conditional discharge *under subsection* (2).

There the tribunal's satisfaction or lack of it as to the matters in subsection (1)(*a*) would inevitably be coloured by the conditions it had *in* mind to impose. Once satisfied as to one of those matters, it was mandatory for the tribunal to direct the patient's conditional discharge.

But if the tribunal was only able to be so satisfied by the imposition of conditions to which the patient would be subject on release, it was obvious that in many, perhaps most, cases some time must elapse between the decision that conditional discharge was appropriate and the effective order directing discharge, for the purpose of making the necessary *practical arrangements to enable* compliance with the conditions.

It was, in his Lordship's opinion, precisely for that purpose that the tribunal was given the option either to direct the immediate discharge of the patient under subsection (2) or to defer that direction under subsection (7).

It had been submitted that, *having deferred a direction* under subsection (7), the tribunal had to examine the whole issue afresh before the direction for discharge was given. Were that right, the two-stage proce*dure which seemed to be* contemplated by subsections (2) and (7) would not seem to serve any useful purpose at all.

But the conclusive refutation of such a construction was to be found in the second part of subsection (7) which contemplated (i) an application or reference leading to a deferred direction for conditional discharge, and (ii) a further application or reference relating to the same patient coming before the tribunal before any direction for his conditional discharge had actually been given.

In that situation it was provided that no direction might be given pursuant to the first application or reference. The effect of that was that the whole issue must be reopened pursuant to the second application or reference. If, as submitted, the whole issue always remained at large following a deferred direction for conditional discharge, that provision would be otiose.

Apart from the substantive issue, there was criticism of the form of the tribunal's decision. His Lordship's criticism was of the deferment to a fixed date. There was no authority for that, and such a decision should simply indicate that the direction was deferred until the necessary satisfactory arrangements had been made and specify what arrangements were required, which could normally be done by reference to the conditions imposed.

Lord Brandon, Lord Ackner, Lord Oliver and Lord Goff agreed.

Solicitors: Alexander & Partners, Willesden; Treasury Solicitor.

Inferring letting value

MacDonald and Others v Trustees of Henry Smith's Charity

The true annual letting value of property at the commencement of a tenancy, could, for section 4(4) of the Leasehold Reform Act 1967, *prima facie,* be inferred from the premium which *had been paid on an assignment* of the lease a week later.

Where the annual value so inferred was more than three times the rent, the landlord *would have to adduce evidence* sufficient to satisfy the court that the premium did not reflect the true letting value if he were to succeed in resisting an application for the enfranchisement of the lease under the 1967 Act, on the basis that the initial rent exceeded two-thirds of the letting value.

The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice May, Lord Justice Glidewell and Sir Roualeyn Cumming-Bruce) so held in a reserved judgment on July 21, allowing an appeal by tenants of premises from the dismissal by West London County Court (Judge Parker, QC) of an application to acquire the freehold of the premises under section 1(1) of the 1967 Act.

Back calculation from test lawful

Gumbley v Cunningham
Gould v Castle

Before Lord Justice Watkins and Mr Justice Mann

[Judgment July 28]

Evidence of the amount of alcohol in a defendant's breath or blood at the time he committed an offence of driving with *excess alcohol,* which *evidence* was obtained by a process of back calculation from the specimen of breath or blood actually obtained when that specimen was below the prescribed limit, was admissible by the prosecution.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so held in a reserved judgment dismissing *the appeal of the defendant,* Mr Stephen Gary Gumbley, from the dismissal by Birmingham Crown Court (Judge Ross, QC and a justice) on November 18, 1986, of his appeal against his *conviction by Birmingham Justices* on May 7, 1986, of driving a motor vehicle with excess alcohol, contrary to section 6(1) of the Road Traffic Act 1972, as substituted in Schedule 8 to the Transport Act *1981.* He was fined £200, his licence endorsed and a 12-month disqualification was imposed.

The appeal of the defendant, Mr Steven Adrian Gould, was allowed from his conviction by St Albans Justices on January 16, 1987, of driving with excess alcohol. The justices had fined *him £150, endorsed his licence* and imposed a 12-month disqualification.

Mr Dominic Roberts for the defendant Gumbley; Mr Richard O'Rorke for the defendant Gould; Mr Roger D. H. Smith for the prosecution.

MR JUSTICE MANN, giving the judgment of the court, said that *in the first appeal* the defendant was involved in a fatal accident at 11.15pm; he provided a specimen of blood at 3.35am the next day according to the statutory procedure which *gave a reading, below the pre*scribed limit [80mg per 100 ml: see section 12(2) of the 1972 Act, as substituted] of 59 milligrammes of alcohol in 100 millilitres *of blood.*

The prosecution adduced evidence to the effect that a person of the defendant's height, age, weight and physical condition would eliminate alcohol from his blood stream at between 10 and 25 milligrammes per 100ml per hour, so that at the time of the accident his blood alcohol concentration would have been above the prescribed limit, in the region of 120-130 milligrammes per 100ml of blood.

In the second case, the defen*dant was involved in an ac*cident at 11.58pm, and gave two specimens of breath in accordance with the statutory procedure at 3.45am the next day, the lower of the two specimens being below the prescribed limit [35 microgrammes per 100ml] and showing 28 microgrammes of alcohol in 100ml of breath.

The prosecution led evidence to the effect that the defendant would have eliminated between 15 and 37 microgrammes of alcohol per 100ml of breath between the time of the accident and the provision of the specimens, and was thus "likely" to have had a breath alcohol concentration above the prescribed limit of between 43 and 65 microgrammes per 100ml of breath at the time of the accident.

His Lordship said that the court was concerned with the cautionary words of Lord Jus*tice Glidewell concerning* the production and reliance on expert evidence in *Smith v Geraghty* ([1986] RTR 222, 232j), where he said: "Going back to the level of alcohol in *the blood at the time of* driving is clearly permissible but only practicable . . . provided that there is reasonably clear, straightforward and relatively simple evidence to show it. In other circumstances, though . . . it is for them, I would take the view that justices ought not to be drawn into any detailed scientific calculation."

The defendants' counsel drew attention to the wording of the statutory provisions, before the existing legislation, in section 1(1) of the Road Safety Act 1967 which was substantially reproduced in the original section 6(1) of the 1972 Act.

In *Rowlands v Hamilton* ([1971] 1 WLR 647) the House of Lords held that the prosecution could not adduce evidence to show what the blood alcohol concentration of a defendant would have been at the time of driving when he had consumed alcohol after ceasing to drive but *before providing a specimen:* see the speech of Lord Guest, at pp653E-654C.

The so-called "hip-flask" driver was now given the burden of establishing that his specimen revealed a level above the prescribed limit because he consumed alcohol after ceasing to drive: see section 10(2) of the 1972 Act, as substituted.

The defendants' counsel submitted that section 6(1), as substituted, had to be construed as doing no more than eliminate the loophole in the *Rowlands* case.

His Lordship said that the court could not agree: the new section 6(1) was different from the old, and the question was now simply as to the proportion of alcohol at the moment of driving or of being in charge, whereas the old section raised the quite different question as to excess at the time of providing the specimen which was the subject of the laboratory test.

Evidence which was material to the question of what was the proportion of alcohol at the moment of driving had to be admissible.

The provisions of section 10(2) did not preclude evidence other than that revealed by a specimen to show a greater level of alcohol although, subject *to the hip-flask defence, the speci*men would always provide a "not less" or base figure. If that figure was above the prescribed limit other evidence was unnecessary to establish the offence.

The court's conclusion meant that those who drove with excess alcohol could not necessarily escape punishment because of the lapse of time. However, it also meant that in cases where a specimen provided, obviously a substantial period of time after driving had ceased, showed a level below the *prescribed limit justices might* find themselves confronted with evidence of a complicated and scientific nature.

Back calculations involved a great number of factors. That was *regrettable* but *inevitable.* In the court's view, the prosecution should not rely on such evidence save where that evidence was easily understood and clearly persuasive of the presence of excess alcohol at the time the defendant was driving.

Moreover, justices had to be very careful, especially where there was conflicting evidence, not to convict unless they were sure that on the scientific and other evidence, which they found it safe to rely on, they were sure an excess of alcohol was in the defendant's body *when he* was actually driving or charged.

In the second case the justices accepted evidence that it was "likely" that at the time of the accident the *defendant's blood* alcohol concentration was above the prescribed limit. In the court's view that was not equivalent to being satisfied so as to be sure the blood alcohol concentration was above the prescribed limit.

Accordingly, the first appeal would be dismissed and the second allowed. The court certified *that a point of law of general* public importance was involved in its decision, but refused leave to appeal.

Solicitors: Cremin Small & Co, Stockwell; Crown Prosecution Service, Birmingham; Wynter Davies & Lee, Hertford; Crown Prosecution Service, St Albans.

Standard of proof in parental child abuse cases

In re G (a Minor)

Before Mr Justice Sheldon

[Judgment June 4]

In wardship proceedings where there had been an allegation that a child had been sexually abused, the standard of proof to be applied was based on the balance of probabilities; but a more stringent degree of probability was required to sat*isfy the court that a father* had been guilty of some sexual misconduct with his daughter than would be needed to justify the conclusion that she had been the victim of sexual abuse by some other person.

Mr Justice Sheldon so stated in a Family Division judgment delivered in chambers at Bristol and released for publication *with his Lordship's consent.*

Miss Catharine Hailstone for the local authority; Mrs Suzanne Matthews for the father; Mr Christopher Sharp for the mother; *Mr Richard Bromilow* for the interveners, the grandparents; Mr Richard Bond for the *guardian ad litem.*

MR JUSTICE SHELDON said that the ward, a girl, was born in October 1983. Her parents had married a few weeks prior to her birth. The father, now aged 43, was some twenty years older than *the mother.* They lived in a mobile home.

In February 1985, the mother departed, leaving the child with the father. The responsibility of *looking after* the little girl had fallen on the father with the willing help of neighbours and in a material sense the child had been well looked after. The father had been granted legal custody by justices in August 1986 with access to the mother.

In the meantime the mother had returned to live with her mother and step-father in Avon. The grandmother expressed her great concern regarding the well-being of her grandchild while living with her father.

At the end of January 1987 the child was collected by the mother for an agreed access week-end and not returned. Allegations of sexual abuse by the father were made and a place of safety order made.

The child was *now* in the interim care of the local authority and was living with foster parents and wardship proceedings had been instituted.

His Lordship had to decide whether the child had been sexually abused and, if so, whether the perpetrator was the father and to decide the future upbringing of the child.

His Lordship had to pick and choose between the various allegations and counter-allegations. There was one matter of considerable significance. In 1973 the father had been sentenced to six years' imprisonment for rape.

There was no evidence which *would justify the prosecution of* the father for any form of sexual abuse of his daughter. The evidence fell far short of the standard of proof beyond reasonable doubt which was needed for a conviction.

In wardship proceedings, although alleged wrong-doing by an individual might be an issue, the predominant consideration was the welfare of the child.

In general terms, the standard of proof was based on the balance of probabilities, but in the present proceedings, a higher degree of probability was required to satisfy the court that the father had been guilty of some sexual misconduct with his daughter than would be *needed to justify the conclusion* that the child had been the victim of some such behaviour of whatever nature and whomever might have been the perpetrator.

His Lordship was of the opinion that the gravity of the matter was such from the child's point of view that any tilt in the balance which suggested that she had been the victim of sexual abuse would justify a finding to that effect.

There might be circumstances in which the application of a "*standard of proof*" as that phrase was commonly understood, was inapt to describe the method by which the court should approach the problem.

For example, where the suspicion of sexual abuse or other wrong-doing, although incapable of formal proof, was such as to lead to the conclusion that it would be an unacceptable risk to the child's welfare to leave him in his previous environment; or (more likely in the case of older children) where, although the court might *be satisfied that* no sexual abuse had taken place, the very fact that sexual abuse had been alleged by a child against a parent suggested that it was in *the child's interests* that some change in the existing regime was required.

It had been suggested in the present case if the father could not be identified as the offender where the child had been the subject of sexual abuse, the father's character and behaviour taken in conjunction with other circumstances might lead to the conclusion that it would be an unacceptable risk to return her to the father's care.

In all the circumstances, even applying a more stringent test than a mere balance of probabilities, his Lordship had been driven to the conclusion that the father had been guilty of an over-familiar and sexually inappropriate relationship with *his daughter, amounting* to sexual abuse, which could bode ill for the future and had created the "particularly vulnerable little girl" described by the child psychiatrist.

Only the father could be held responsible for that state of affairs. The child would remain a ward of court in the care of the local authority pursuant to section 7(2) of the Family Law Reform Act 1969 and to continue to live with the present foster parents; the mother to have access with a view to *bringing* about the ward's rehabilitation with the mother, the father to have supervised access.

Solicitors: Mr Basil D. Smith, *Bristol;* Downs, Dorking; Withy, King & Lee, Bath; Mowbray Woodwards, Bath; Official Solicitor.

Correction

In *Lyons v East Sussex County Council* (*The Times* July 27) the last paragraph of the report should have read: "*The tribunal* should not *confirm* the order of the justice unless it was satisfied . . ." and not as printed.

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RACING: CONDITIONS WILL SUIT TURFAH IN GOLDEN MILE AT GOODWOOD TODAY

Date fixed for Curley re-hearing

Barney Curley, the Newmarket-based trainer granted a re-hearing after being disqualified by the Jockey Club for causing "serious damage to the interests of British racing", will appear before a new panel of the disciplinary committee next Monday.

The Jockey Club imposed a two-year ban, one of the most serious issued at Portman Square, on Curley at the original hearing in April.

The inquiry will again consider complaints concerning the trainer's conduct in telephone conversations following Graham Bradley's riding of Robin Goodfellow at Ascot on November 15, 1986, but on this occasion Curley will be legally represented.

It will be held under rule 220 (iii), which states "No person shall do any act likely to cause serious damage to the interests of horse racing in Great Britain whether or not such act shall constitute a breach of any of the foregoing Rules of Racing."

Undercut to extend winning run

By Mandarin
(Michael Phillips)

At Goodwood today, the £75,000-added Schweppes Golden Mile Handicap, the most valuable handicap run in this country, promises a spectacle every bit as open as the Stewards' Cup.

Having tipped **Turfah** to win the Royal Hunt Cup at Ascot and then seen his chance washed away by the rain which changed the ground to heavy, I am content to give him another chance now the going looks like suiting him again.

In the circumstances, Turfah ran well at Ascot to finish a close fourth behind Vague Shot and Gold Prospect, who are also in today's field. On better ground I give him a good chance of beating those mudlarks now.

More recently Turfah has run up to his best in a group race in France, where he again finished fourth, less than three lengths behind the winner.

Earlier in the season he had the ground that he likes when he pipped Waajib in the Jubilee Stakes at Kempton.

As they meet on the same terms now, Turfah is again given the vote over the ante-post favourite, who has upheld the form by winning the Whitsun Cup at Sandown and running well in Ireland.

Genghiz and True Gent also command the utmost respect. Genghiz, who took high rank last season, has rather disappointed this year but he has a good chance on his best form at these weights.

With only three races behind him True Gent is the least exposed of all the runners. The way he finished in third place behind his stable-companion, Bronzewing, at Newmarket earlier this month had all the hallmarks of a likely future winner.

True Gent is one of several promising rides for Willie Carson today, the best of which could be Sergeyevich in the Goodwood Cup, even though he is an unknown quantity at this extreme distance.

By Niniski and out of a Relko mare, he has a pedigree packed with stamina. Furthermore, when he finished a close second to Arden in the Queen's Vase he was certainly not stopping at the end. I believe he has a good chance of becoming the first three-year-old to win Goodwood's marathon since Proverb 14 years ago.

Earlier in the day Carson will be on the unbeaten two-year-old, Golden Wave, in the Lanson Champagne Vintage Stakes which his trainer, Dick Hern, has previously won *with Riboboy, Sky Ship, Troy,* Church Parade and Petoski.

Well that Golden Wave should go I much prefer **Undercut** (nap), the other unbeaten runner in the field *who, with three wins under his* belt, could easily have the edge.

Sharp Reminder will be one of two runners that Lambourn trainer Ray Laing will saddle for the King George Stakes. The other is the dual course and distance winner, Respect, who will command precisely that with Pat Eddery aboard.

However, I just prefer his stable companion, who was *badly hampered* at a crucial stage in the Cork and Orrery Stakes at Ascot. Before that he had finished a creditable second to Gayane at Haydock.

Being by Sharpo, who won the William Hill Sprint Championship three times, Sharp Reminder should not be inconvenienced by reverting to five furlongs, even though all his races this season *have been over six. With* Orient and Chilibang in the field, they will go a breakneck gallop from the start.

Blinkered first time

DONCASTER: 2.45 Silent Surge. 4.50 Just Something. **GOODWOOD:** 2.30 Orient. 3.30 Accompanist. 5.10 Heyshott, Cathedral Peak, Fatu Hiva.

GOODWOOD

Selections

By Mandarin

2.30 Sharp Reminder.
3.00 UNDERCUT (nap).
3.30 Turfah.
4.10 Sergeyevich.
4.40 Practice.
5.10 Orient Line.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.30 —
3.00 Plantation.
3.30 Waajib.
4.10 Sprowston Boy.
4.40 AWSAAF (nap).
5.10 Sanaabel.

By Michael Seely

2.30 Chilibang. 3.30 TRUE GENT (nap). 4.10 Awsaaf.

Guide to our in-line racecard

103	(12)	0-0432	TIMESFORM 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0	B West (4)	88

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F-fell. P-pulled up. U-unseated rider. B-brought down. S-slipped up. R-refused). Horse's name. Days since last outing (B-blinkers. V-visor. H-hood. E-Eyeshield. C-course winner. D-distance winner. CD-course and distance winner. BF-beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F-firm, good to firm, hard. G-good. S-soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

2.30 KING GEORGE STAKES (Group III: £22,184: 5f) (10 runners) BBC 2

101	(2)	2321-01	TREASURE KAY 66 (D,F,G,S) (G Yates) P Makin 4-9-8	W R Swinburn	93
102	(3)	120310	CLANTIME 41 (D,F,G,S) (Clantime Ltd) R Whitaker 6-9-0	NON-RUNNER	—
105	(4)	2-02120	RESPECT 27 (CD,BF,F,G) (R Richmond-Watson) D Laing 4-9-0	Pat Eddery	88
106	(5)	4-40403	SHARP ROMANCE 13 (D,G) (Sheikh M Al Sabah) S Mellor 5-9-0	C Asmussen	91
107	(6)	040303	SINGING STEVEN 6 (D,F,G,S) (Dr S Bennett) R Hannon 3-8-13	B Rouse	92
108	(1)	00-0230	ORIENT 8 (V,D,F,G) (Mrs R Watson) R Whitaker 4-8-11	D McKeown	96
109	(10)	34-4302	CAROL'S TREASURE 26 (C,D,F,G) (Mrs C Lane) J Hills 3-8-8	M Hills	98
110	(9)	11-0001	CHILIBANG 20 (D,F,G) (Mrs H Heinz) J Dunlop 3-8-8	W Carson	● 99
111	(7)	3-41120	SHARP REMINDER 42 (C,F,G) (R Jacobson) D Laing 3-8-8	T Williams	96
112	(8)	0101-00	LA PETITE NOBLESSE 68 (D,S) (North Cheshire Ltd) D Haydn Jones 3-8-5	J Reid	87

BETTING: 3-1 Sharp Reminder, 9-2 Orient, 5-1 Carol's Treasure, 11-2 Chilibang, 8-1 Sharp Romance, 10-1 Treasure Kay, 12-1 Respect, 14-1 Singing Steven, 20-1 La Petite Noblesse.

1986: DOUBLE SCHWARTZ 5-9-5 Pat Eddery (6-4 fav) C Nelson 14 ran

FORM TREASURE KAY put up best performance when (9-3) beating Hallgate (9-3) a length in the Temple Stakes at Sandown (5f, £26586, good, May 25, 9 ran), with CLANTIME (9-3) a short head 3rd, and SINGING STEVEN (8-8) 2½l 5th.
ORIENT, unplaced but only a few pounds below form in the July Cup (Group 1) at Newmarket last time, previously (9-0) ran 5½l 3rd to Bluebird (8-9) in the King's Stand at Royal Ascot (5f, £57724, heavy, Jun 19, 12 ran) with SHARP ROMANCE (9-3) 1½l 4th. CLANTIME (9-3) the same distance back in 5th. SINGING STEVEN (8-9) 2½l 8th and CAROL'S TREASURE (8-9) about 3½l 11th.

CAROL'S TREASURE won 4 races, including one over this course and distance, at two years old. Appears to be getting into gear again, latest start (8-10) 1½l runner-up to Perion (9-3), with SINGING STEVEN (8-10) ¾l 3rd, at Sandown (5f, Listed, £11823, good to firm, Jly 4, 9 ran).

CHILIBANG speedy type (9-1) proved too fast for some decent handicappers over 5f at York, coming home a length ahead of Royal Fan (8-7) (£7856, firm, Jly 10, 11 ran).
Selection: CAROL'S TREASURE

3.0 LANSON CHAMPAGNE VINTAGE STAKES (Group III: 2-Y-O: £14,176: 7f) (6 runners) BBC 2

201	(5)	111	UNDERCUT 21 (C,D,F,G) (K Abdulla) G Harwood 9-0	Pat Eddery	● 99
204	(3)	02	BRILLIANT BAY 12 (N Mandell) P Kelleway 8-11	C Asmussen	76
205	(6)	31	DARWEESH 28 (S) (A Mutawa) K Brassey 8-11	W Newnes	80
206	(1)	021	GALITZIN 12 (D,G,S) (C Elliot) C Brittain 8-11	S Cauthen	87
207	(4)	1	GOLDEN WAVE 49 (S) (Sir M Sobell) W Hern 8-11	W Carson	98
208	(2)	141	PLANTATION 27 (D,G) (Sheikh MOhammed) M Stoute 8-11	W R Swinburn	91

BETTING: 6-4 Undercut, 100-30 Galitzin, 9-2 Golden Wave, 6-1 Plantation, 8-1 Darweesh, 16-1 Brilliant Bay.

1986: DON'T FORGET ME 8-11 Pat Eddery (7-1) R Hannon 5 ran

FORM UNDERCUT meets good opposition for the first time today despite having won two Listed races, the latest when (9-2) trotting up by 3l from Army of Stars (8-11) at Newmarket (7f, £7739, good to firm, Jly 9, 4 ran). He could not have been more impressive in his three races.
GOLDEN WAVE, a *much vaunted half-brother to New Trojan, ran green on debut (9-0) but when quickening up looked very impressive in beating* Cosconi (9-0) 5l with DARWEESH (9-0) 2½l back in 3rd in a Newbury maiden (6f, £3932, good to soft, Jun 11, 17 ran).

PLANTATION below best when (9-3) not getting a clear run and 7l 4th to Butlers Wharf (8-11) with hampered GALITZIN (8-11) ½l away 5th at Kempton (6f, £2893, good to firm, May 30, 11 ran).

Subsequently, PLANTATION (9-1) ran better to beat *Jalmoon (9-1) 7l at Haydock (7f, £2792, good, Jly 3, 3 ran) and GALITZIN (8-11) improved to run out a 5l* Newmarket (7f, £4597, good, Jly 18, 4 ran) winner from Single Shooter (8-11).
Selection: UNDERCUT

3.30 SCHWEPPES GOLDEN MILE HANDICAP (£52,215: 1m) (21 runners) BBC 2

301	(13)	201-213	WAAJIB 26 (D,F,G) (H Al-Maktoum) A Stewart 4-9-10	M Roberts	98
302	(15)	200312	VAGUE SHOT 5 (CD,F,G,S) (A Anthony) R Casey 4-9-6	S Cauthen	94
304	(2)	11300-1	PASTICCIO 78 (D,F) (T Warner) M Jarvis 4-9-3	B Raymond	90
305	(17)	0-41344	TURFAH 18 (D,F) (H Al-Maktoum) P Walwyn 4-9-2	B Thomson	91
306	(4)	414-100	LUCRATIF 60 (D,F,G) (Mrs J McDonald Farms Inc) I Balding 3-8-11	T Ives	90
307	(5)	2-10130	ACCOMPANIST 12 (B,D,S) (Sheikh Mohammed) B Hills 3-8-11	C Asmussen	84
308	(18)	33-0134	GENGHIZ 12 (F,G) (P Wetzel) L Piggott 3-8-8	R Cochrane	90
309	(1)	042031	JUST A FLUTTER 11 (D,F,G) (F Wilson) M Jarvis 3-8-7	G Starkey	88
310	(10)	2/31432	RHAZALI 13 (BF,F) (P Wetzel) M Stoute 4-8-6	W R Swinburn	95
311	(6)	141-003	GOLD PROSPECT 43 (D,BF,G,S) (H Spack) G Balding 5-8-6	B Rouse	93
312	(21)	1-43	TRUE GENT 21 (C,F) (Sheikh Mohammed) J Dunlop 3-8-6	W Carson	90
313	(7)	4-103	CACHONDINA 29 (F) (Mrs G Brontman) B Hills 3-8-4	Pat Eddery	85
315	(8)	320311	HANDLEBAR 10 (D,F,G,S) (Mrs M Haggas) J Watts 5-7-13	N Connorton	● 99
316	(14)	0-01020	COME ON THE BLUES 13 (CD,F,S) (Mrs C Pateras) C Brittain 8-7-13	C Rutter	95
317	(20)	420001	DE RIGUEUR 34 (D,F,G,S) (Mrs C Heath) J Bethell 5-7-13	T Quinn	98
318	(19)	31-0024	BOOT POLISH 23 (F,G,S) (G Parkinson) J Watts 5-7-12	L Charnock	95
319	(11)	41410	FIRST OF ALL 21 (D,F,S) (A Elison) L Cumani 3-7-11	L Dettori (5)	91
321	(9)	22-122	SHARBLASK 71 (S) (W Palister) N Vigors 3-7-9	S Dawson	91
322	(3)	010000	FUSILIER 23 (F,G) (R Richards) C Brittain 5-7-7	T Williams	93
323	(16)	030000	QUALITAIR FLYER 12 (F,S) (Qualitair Eng Ltd) K Stone 5-7-7	A Mackay	87
324	(12)	200200	LORD WESTGATE 15 (F) (K Jaffa) M Usher 3-7-7	P Barnard (7)	80

BETTING: 5-1 True Gent, 6-1 Waajib, 8-1 Pasticcio, 10-1 Gold Prospect, 12-1 Genghiz, Rhazali, Turfah, 16-1 First Of All, 20-1 De Rigueur, Handlebar, Sharblask, Vague Shot, Accompanist, 25-1 Boot Polish, Cachondina, Come On The Blues, Just A Flutter, Lucratif, 33-1 others.

1986: No CORRESPONDING RACE

FORM WAAJIB ¾l 3rd (9-5) to Fair Judgement (8-7) in a group 2 event at Phoenix Park (1m, £32,900, good, Jly 4, 6 ran).
VAGUE SHOT 2nd at Ascot last time; previously won Hunt Cup there (9-5), with GOLD PROSPECT (8-6) was ¾l away 3rd, TURFAH (9-2) another 1l back 4th.

COME ON THE BLUES (8-9), DE RIGUEUR (8-6) and FUSILIER (8-0) out of the first nine (1m, £29512, soft, Jun 17, 25 ran); previously TURFAH (8-12) had beaten WAAJIB (9-5), who was having his first run of the season, a short head at Sandown (1m, £16596, firm, May 4, 15 ran).
PASTICCIO (9-1) won York handicap in which HANDLEBAR (8-2) was 3¾l 6th. VAGUE SHOT (9-3) 8th. FUSILIER (9-0) and DE RIGUEUR (8-6) out of the first nine (1m, £9490, good to firm, May 13, 12 ran).
HANDLEBAR has improved, beating Tuesday's winner The Lionheart at Carlisle (1m), then defying 10-0 to score ¾l Pontefract victory over Dawn Love (8-1) (1m, £3090, good, Jly 20, 5 ran).
Selection: HANDLEBAR

4.10 GOODWOOD CUP (Group II: £22,710: 2m 5f) (5 runners) BBC 2

401	(5)	30043	ALWAYS DANGEROUS 8 (Mrs M Maslen) R Woodhouse 5-9-0	R Cochrane	51
402	(3)	210-113	EL CONQUISTADOR 44 (C,BF,F) (J Garcia-Roady) G Harwood 4-9-0	G Starkey	91
403	(2)	4-03010	SPROWSTON BOY 33 (S) (G Whiting) P Kelleway 4-9-0	Gay Kelleway	97
405	(1)	12-341	WHITE CLOVER 16 (F,G) (Mrs A Skiffery) G Harwood 4-9-0	A Clark	98
406	(4)	20-012	SERGEYEVICH 43 (F) (Mrs D Riley-Smith) J Dunlop 3-7-10	W Carson	● 99

BETTING: 7-4 Sergeyevich, 2-1 El Conquistador, 3-1 White Clover, 11-2 Sprowston Boy, 50-1 Always Dangerous.

1986: LONGBOAT 5-9-7 W Carson (1-3 fav) W Hern 5 ran

FORM EL CONQUISTADOR, distant 3rd at Royal Ascot; earlier (9-13) beat Harlestone Lake (8-10) 2l here (2m 3f, £3896, good to firm, May 21, 11 ran).
WHITE CLOVER best judged on (9-12) easy length defeat of Lurex Girl (8-1) at Folkestone (1m 7f, £684, firm, Jly 14, 5 ran).
SERGEYEVICH, trying a new trip, (8-9) a neck 2nd to Arden (8-9) at Royal Ascot (2m, Listed, £20750, soft, Jun 17, 9 ran).
Selection: SERGEYEVICH

4.40 RACECALL NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £4,885: 6f) (14 runners)

502	(12)	12	PRACTICE 12 (G) (Mrs J Chandler) J Tree 9-7	Pat Eddery	● 99
503	(14)	02001	SAVAHRA SOUND 14 (D,F) (A F Budge Ltd) R Hannon 9-4 (7ex)	B Rouse	98
504	(2)	232204	PENDALTY 7 (B,S) (P Bourke) K Brassey 9-3	J Reid	84
505	(1)	432324	MONTEROS BOY 7 (BF) (P Hodgson) J Berry 9-2	B Thomson	87
506	(3)	34311	ISLA BRIDGE 15 (D,F,G) (J Etherton) J Payne 8-13 (7ex)	R Cochrane	98
507	(5)	1	AWSAAF 26 (F) (H Al-Maktoum) R Armstrong 8-10	W Carson	97
508	(9)	1030U	CHAIN SHOT 3 (BF,S) (G Johnson) N Vigors 8-10	S Cauthen	88
509	(13)	31	THREE CASTLES 65 (F) (Mrs M Saunders) K Brassey 8-9	W Newnes	90
511	(4)	300010	ALWAYS ENGAGED 12 (G) (G Steinberg) K Ivory 8-2	A Shoults (3)	89
512	(6)	0021	GET THE MONEY DOWN 23 (B,F) (B) (H Pope) M Fetherston-Godley 8-1	M Roberts	88
513	(7)	02301	BELLE CANTICLE 24 (G) (T Lane) G Pritchard-Gordon 8-0	G Carter	93
514	(11)	311	SONILLA 16 (F,S) (J Law) R Holder 8-0 (7ex)	S Dawson	95
516	(10)	200	HIDDEN FLAME 68 (C Cyzer) M Usher 7-10	T Williams	86
517	(8)	034340	VINTON VA 19 (J Goodman) J Wilson 7-10	A Mackay	93

BETTING: 11-4 Practice, 7-2 Awsaaf, 5-1 Sonilla, 7-1 Isla Bridge, 9-1 Savahra Sound, 10-1 Belle *Canticle, 12-1 Get The Money Down, 14-1 Three Castles, 16-1 Vinton Va, 20-1 others.*

1986: PAS D'ENCHERE 9-0 P Waldron (12-1) G Lewis 8 ran

FORM PRACTICE ½l 2nd (8-8) to Angelina Ballerina (8-8) at Newbury (6f, Listed, £7960, good, Jly 18, 5 ran).
ISLA BRIDGE won under 7lb penalty in Kempton nursery, (9-3) beating Toshair Flyer (9-7) a head (5f, £2498, firm, Jly 15, 5 ran).
AWSAAF (8-6) made a winning debut at Nottingham by a head from Erris Express (8-11) (5f, £954, firm, Jly 4, 12 ran). Second, third and fourth have won since.
BELLE CANTICLE (8-11) ½l Pontefract winner from subsequent winner Primulette (8-11) (5f, £1294, good, Jly 6, 9 ran).
Selection: PRACTICE

5.10 DARNLEY HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £8,311: 1m 4f) (10)

604	(6)	1-100	HEYSHOTT 12 (B,D,F,G) (K Abdulla) G Harwood 9-7	Pat Eddery	89
605	(1)	21-00	SANAABELL 19 (F) (Maktoum Al Maktoum) M Stoute 9-7	W R Swinburn	94
607	(3)	2-00141	OUR ACCOUNT 14 (F,G) (A Clore) L Cumani 9-7 (4ex)	R Cochrane	86
609	(8)	0-32103	IMPERIAL BRUSH 12 (D,S) (P Pulton) D Elsworth 9-2	C Asmussen	95
612	(4)	0-10020	PALEFACE 22 (G,S) (Mrs S Rudolf) L Piggott 8-12	T Ives	98
613	(9)	101042	ORIENT LINE 15 (F,G) (J Lazzari) R Hannon 8-10	B Rouse	97
614	(10)	3-400	CATHEDRAL PEAK 75 (V) (P Deal) M Usher 8-9	S Cauthen	● 99
616	(2)	43-2	MARIENBOURG 29 (D Montagu) J Dunlop 8-8	Paul Eddery	87
617	(7)	201431	WUJUD 15 (F) (H Al-Maktoum) P Walwyn 8-6 (4ex)	B Thomson	94
618	(5)	000103	FATU HIVA 10 (B,D,BF,G) (R Kaselowsky) John FitzGerald 8-5	N Carlisle	87

● Imperial Brush runs only if there is sufficient overnight rain

BETTING: 100-30 Paleface, 9-2 Sanaabell, 5-1 Orient Line, Imperial Brush, 7-1 Wujud, Fatu Hiva, 10-1 Heyshott, 12-1 Our Account, 14-1 Marienbourg, 16-1 Cathedral Peak.

1986: HAUWMAL 8-8 W Carson (11-2) W Hern 10 ran

FORM SANAABELL finished (8-6) a creditable 1½l 5th to Brave Dancer (8-8) at York (1m 2f, £19463, good to firm, Jly 11, 9 ran).
PALEFACE seems to need some cut and got that when (8-13) a neck 2nd to Wolsey (9-3). WUJUD (8-5) 2½l 3rd, on penultimate start at Newmarket (1m 2f, £4234, good to soft, Jun 27, 7 ran); subsequently WUJUD (8-7) beat ORIENT LINE (9-2) 1l at Kempton (1m 2f, £4143, firm, July 15, 8 ran).
Selection: SANAABELL

Course specialists

TRAINERS

	Winners	Runners	Per Cent
L Cumani	21	68	30.9
G Harwood	53	200	26.5
M Stoute	21	94	22.3
W Hern	29	135	21.5
J Tree	11	52	21.2
R Armstrong	12	71	16.9

JOCKEYS

	Winners	Rides	Per Cent
G Starkey	43	188	22.9
S Cauthen	45	254	17.7
Pat Eddery	48	281	17.1
W Carson	47	277	17.0
J Reid	17	120	14.2
W R Swinburn	17	121	14.0

DONCASTER

Selections

By Mandarin

2.15 Maksab.
2.45 Laura's Delight.
3.15 Chaplins Club.
3.50 Viceroy Melody.
4.20 Arges.
4.50 Battle Queen.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.15 Sealed Bid.
2.45 —
3.15 Top And Tail.
3.50 Miss Ballylea.
4.20 Alcatraz.
4.50 Inshad.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.50 MERRYDALE FARM.

Going: good **Draw: no advantage**

2.15 WAKEFIELD MAIDEN STAKES (£1,185: 1m) (15 runners)

3	(13)	0/0-0004	TANIAS DAD 34 (P O'Donnell) C Spares 4-9-6	N Carson (7)	71
6	(9)	0004	FUSION 13 (S Niarchos) J Tree 3-8-8	S Raymont	97
8	(12)	0-0	MAKSAB 13 (Sheikh A Al Maktoum) J Dunlop 3-8-8	G Sexton	91
9	(5)	0	MISCELLANY 38 (T Warner) M Jarvis 3-8-8	T Lucas	—
11	(11)	000-00	ROYAL TOWER 43 (Mrs G Spink) H Jones 3-8-8	M Wigham	73
12	(3)	04	SEALED BID 92 (Sir M Sobell) L Piggott 3-8-8	B Crossley	89
14	(1)	40-	SHABIB 406 (Sheikh Mohammed) L Cumani 3-8-8	R Guest	● 99
15	(7)		THE THIN MAN (P Southgate) W Holden 3-8-8	R Morse (5)	—
16	(14)	002-040	BRAZILIAN PRINCESS 36 (Roldvale Ltd) P Kelleway 3-8-5	P Robinson	74
17	(2)	0-00	EMERKALA 15 (D McIntyre) J Winter 3-8-5	G Duffield	93
18	(15)	000	MISS BUNTY 13 (J Hill) C Brittain 3-8-5	G Baxter	85
20	(10)	0-	PIPIOLA 304 (Mrs E Johnston) P Bailey 3-8-5	J Williams	—
21	(6)	00-	*SENSITIVE MATERIAL 271* (S Niarchos) G Harwood 3-8-5	W Ryan	—
22	(8)	00-	TOP WALK 365 (W Gredley) J Hills 3-8-5	R Hills	—
23	(4)	00	VALVERDE 13 (P Trant) J Bethell 3-8-5	M Birch	—

BETTING: 2-1 Maksab, 100-30 Shabib, 11-2 Fusion, 6-1 Sealed Bid, 8-1 Sensitive Material, 10-1 Emerkala, 12-1 Brazilian Princess, 16-1 others.

1986: ALEC'S DREAM 3-8-8 M Roberts (Evens fav) A Stewart 12 ran

2.45 YORKSHIRE DAY SELLING STAKES (2-Y-O: £1,406: 6f) (12 runners)

3	(3)	000	BIG AITCH 28 (A Hamill) N Tinkler 8-6	Kim Tinkler	—
4	(8)		ENERGETIC SPARK (T Morris) P Felgate 8-6	W Ryan	—
5	(7)	231223	LAURA'S DELIGHT 8 (BF,S) (K Stone) K Stone 8-6	M Birch	88
6	(5)	400410	PEACONPALA 5 (F) (R Ashford) Miss A King 8-6	A Riding (7)	85
7	(6)	0000	RAPID RELIEF 10 (Mrs J Fenwick) M W Easterby 8-6	T Lucas	80
8	(4)	343300	SILENT SURGE 33 (B) (M St Quinton) M Brittain 8-6	K Darley	83
9	(2)	02031	*TAMMY JO 10 (G) (Mrs J Banks) Ron Thompson 8-6*	R P Elliott	87
10	(10)		TIGER TIGER (Mrs A Henson) M W Easterby 8-6	M Hindley	—
12	(1)	400000	AFON-CRIGYLL 22 (G Thomas) G Moore 8-1	S Wood (7)	93
14	(11)	323234	BLUE BELL LADY 19 (G Adams) J Berry 8-1	J Carroll (5)	● 99
18	(12)	003	MOM SALLY 10 (Miss L Siddall) Miss L Siddall 8-1	J Lowe	80
19	(9)	0000	SILENT PLEA 14 (G Griffin) P Charlton 8-1	A Culhane (5)	81

BETTING: 9-4 Blue Bell Lady, 7-2 Laura's Delight, 9-2 Tammy Jo, 5-1 Mom Sally, 8-1 Silent Surge, 10-1 Rapid Relief, 14-1 Afon Crigyll, 16-1 others.

1986: SWALLOW BAY 7-10 Dean Williams (5-1) D Haydn Jones 12 ran

3.15 SHEFFIELD HANDICAP (£2,582: 5f 140yd) (9 runners)

1	(2)	030022	CHAPLINS CLUB 5 (B,F,G,S) (P Savill) D Chapman 7-9-10	K Darley	● 99
3	(3)	203204	TOP AND TAIL 12 (G) (T Ramsden) M Ryan 3-9-3	P Robinson	95
5	(7)	000-000	MOON INDIGO 21 (B,F) (R Richards) C Brittain 3-9-1	G Baxter	86
6	(5)	400034	KING CHARLEMAGNE 10 (CD,F,G) (G Reveley) G Reveley 8-8-12	S Quane (7)	94
8	(1)	02324-0	PENDOR DANCER 5 (V,F,G) (W Patterson) J Berry 4-8-9	J Carroll (5)	94
10	(8)	000243	GOLDEN GUILDER 3 (B,F,S) (C Buckton) M W Easterby 4-8-9	M Birch	98
12	(9)	004240	ROSIE DICKINS 6 (F,S) (Dickins Ltd) R Hollinshead 5-7-13	A Culhane (5)	96
13	(4)	00000	PHILSTAR 21 (B,F) (B Leach) J Balding 5-7-7	P Hill (5)	87
14	(6)	2001-00	GRANGE FARM LADY 62 (F) (Jackson Construction Co Ltd) J Balding 4-7-7	R Fox	94

BETTING: 5-2 Chaplins Club, 7-2 Top And Tail, 5-1 Rosie Dickins, 11-2 Golden Guilder, 7-1 Pendor Dancer, 10-1 King Charlemagne, 14-1 Grange Farm Lady, 20-1 others.

1986: MANTON MARK 3-8-10 N Connorton (8-1) M Camacho 5 ran

3.50 BARNSLEY MAIDEN AUCTION STAKES (2-Y-O: £959: 7f) (23 runners)

1	(2)	00	JADE STAR 29 (B Pollins) G Pritchard-Gordon 9-0	W Hood	—
2	(14)	0	KAPOOKA 61 (Mrs G Panton) M Smyly 9-0	W Ryan	—
3	(1)		NAVARRO LAD (R Peck) C Tinkler 9-0	M Birch	—
4	(15)	00	VAIGRET 27 (M D M Racing Thoroughbreds Ltd) M Brittain 9-0	A Bacon (7)	61
5	(19)	0	I'M BANANAS 17 (K Ivory) K Ivory 8-11	M Wigham	—
6	(8)	0	SONIC LORD 21 (A Helaissi) A Hide 8-11	R Guest	—
7	(3)	0	WESSEX MILORD 76 (P Bennett) J Bennett 8-11	J Quinn (5)	—
8	(17)	00	FOOLISH TOM 19 (G Smalley) O Brennan 8-8	K Hickey (7)	—
10	(7)	04	BLACKTHORN VENTURE 31 (Mrs J Webb) N Vigors 8-8	P Waldron	77
11	(10)	0	GEEBEEAITCH 63 (A Atkins) W Bentley 8-8	J Matthias	—
12	(5)	000023	MERRYDALE FARM 16 (G Kenyon) J Wilson 8-5	S Perks	● 99
13	(22)	020	THE BAIRD 26 (P Watts) C Wildman 8-5	B Crossley	90
14	(4)	3	L'ENCHERE 19 (H Hardy) M Fetherston-Godley 8-3	N Howe	—
15	(16)	030	MISS BALLYLEA 27 (A Pereira) P Kelleway 8-3	P Robinson	91
16	(6)	003	VICEROY MELODY 30 (F Broom) R Hannon 8-3	J Williams	90
17	(13)		HOLDENBY 19 (D Bowker) T Fairhurst 8-2	N Adams	86
19	(23)		PEN BAL PRINCESS (G Park) G Pritchard-Gordon 8-0	G Duffield	—
20	(12)	00	STARLOTTE 21 (Mrs P Goulandris) P Calver 8-0	M Fry	78
21	(11)	0000	BRITANNIA BELL 15 (K Ward) M Brittain 7-13	K Darley	82
22	(18)	0	GRALYN CROWN 31 (Mrs L Ashton) D Dale 7-13	R Fox	—
23	(9)	000	DELLMO FLEET 23 (F Carman) W Bentley 7-8	A Proud	77
24	(20)		OAKES DAY (W Robertson) N Tinkler 7-8	Kim Tinkler	—
25	(21)		PRINCESS SINAM (T Mellil) A Jarvis 7-8	J Lowe	—

BETTING: 5-2 Viceroy Melody, 9-2 Blackthorn Venture, 11-2 Miss Ballylea, 6-1 Merrydale Farm, 8-1 The Baird, L'Enchere, 10-1 Britannia Bell, 12-1 Pen Bal Princess, 14-1 others.

1986: PHARAOH BLUE 8-5 M Roberts (12-1) C Brittain 18 ran

4.20 LEEDS HANDICAP (£2,194: 1m 6f 127yd) (10 runners)

3	(1)	040002	ARGES 16 (F) (P Savill) R Hollinshead 6-9-10	A Culhane (5)	● 99
4	(5)	4-00031	TROJAN LEGEND 7 (S) (Mrs J Van Geest) R Williams 3-9-9 (6ex)	G Duffield	92
5	(7)	40-400	KIP KEINO 26 (K Abdulla) G Harwood 3-9-8	W Ryan	90
6	(10)	2-01443	APPEALIANA 19 (G) (M Chandler) W Musson 4-8-7	M Wigham	95
8	(8)	003032	ALCATRAZ 7 (B) (T Ramsden) M Ryan 3-9-5	P Robinson	96
9	(6)	044100	TRACK ANGEL 6 (V,CD,S) (Mrs V Stone) K Stone 4-8-9	S Webster	95
10	(2)	0-00000	PETE MARSH 10 (B Wade) J Harris 4-8-9	S Quane (7)	—
11	(9)	000	FUSTA 1 (Santa Cruz Ranch) M Blanshard 3-8-7	N Adams	—
13	(3)	000401	WATERSIDE LODGE 22 (B,F) (Mrs A Scott) M Fetherston-Godley 4-8-6	R Fox	97
15	(4)	0-00300	PARAVANE 26 (D E Incisa) D E Incisa 5-7-7	Kim Tinkler	98

BETTING: 3-1 Waterside Lodge, 7-2 Alcatraz, 9-2 Kip Keino, 6-1 Appealiana, Arges, 7-1 Trojan Legend, 12-1 Track Angel, 20-1 others.

1986: JURISPRUDENCE 3-9-6 N Connorton (10-1) J W Watts 10 ran

4.50 DORTMUND FILLIES HANDICAP (3-Y-O Fillies: £1,844: 7f) (14 runners)

1	(2)	300311	BATTLE QUEEN 9 (D,S) (B Gerhauser) M Ryan 9-11 (6ex)	P Waldron	● 99
3	(4)	031-020	INSHAD 34 (F) (H Al-Maktoum) A Stewart 9-7	R Hills	94
4	(12)	0-400	HUNGRY GRIEBEL 56 (Maverick Productions Ltd) I Balding 9-1	J Matthias	89
5	(5)	00-00	JUST SOMETHING 30 (B) (Mrs C Bletsoe) A Hide 9-1	R Guest	87
6	(13)	310-000	SHUTTLECOCK GIRL 9 (G) (H Steckmest) W Jarvis 9-0	T Lucas	86
7	(10)	0000	LA REINE D'ESPAGNE 7 (H Price) J Mackie 8-13	M Birch	71
8	(11)	0400	LATER EDITION 29 (R McAuley) B Hanbury 8-12	P Bloomfield	98
12	(6)	00310-	SWALLOW BAY 346 (C,G) (Mrs T Parry) D Haydn Jones 8-10	P John (5)	81
14	(1)	000143	LINPAC NORTH MOOR 15 (CD,S) (Lin Pac Containers Ltd) W Elsey 8-3	G Duffield	97
15	(14)	3420-03	LEVEN LASS 7 (Mrs D Lamb) Mrs G Reveley 8-1	J Lowe	91
16	(8)	00-0	DIANES BEST 36 (J Upson) T Casey 8-1	M Wigham	—
17	(3)	00040-0	LITTLE LOCHETTE 45 (Dr S Foster) J Spearing 8-1	N Adams	91
18	(7)	0-03000	MAZURKANOVA 9 (G) (M D M Racing Thoroughbreds) C Thornton 7-13	K Darley	96
19	(9)	040400	SCOTCH IMP 3 (T Broadley) D Chapman 7-9	R Fox	92

BETTING: 11-4 Inshad, 3-1 Battle Queen, 9-2 Just Something, 6-1 Later Edition, 8-1 Leven Lass, 10-1 *Linpac North Moor, 12-1 Hungry Griebel, 16-1 others.*

1986: FRIVOLE 9-2 T Quinn (6-1 jt-fav) P Cole 17 ran

Course specialists

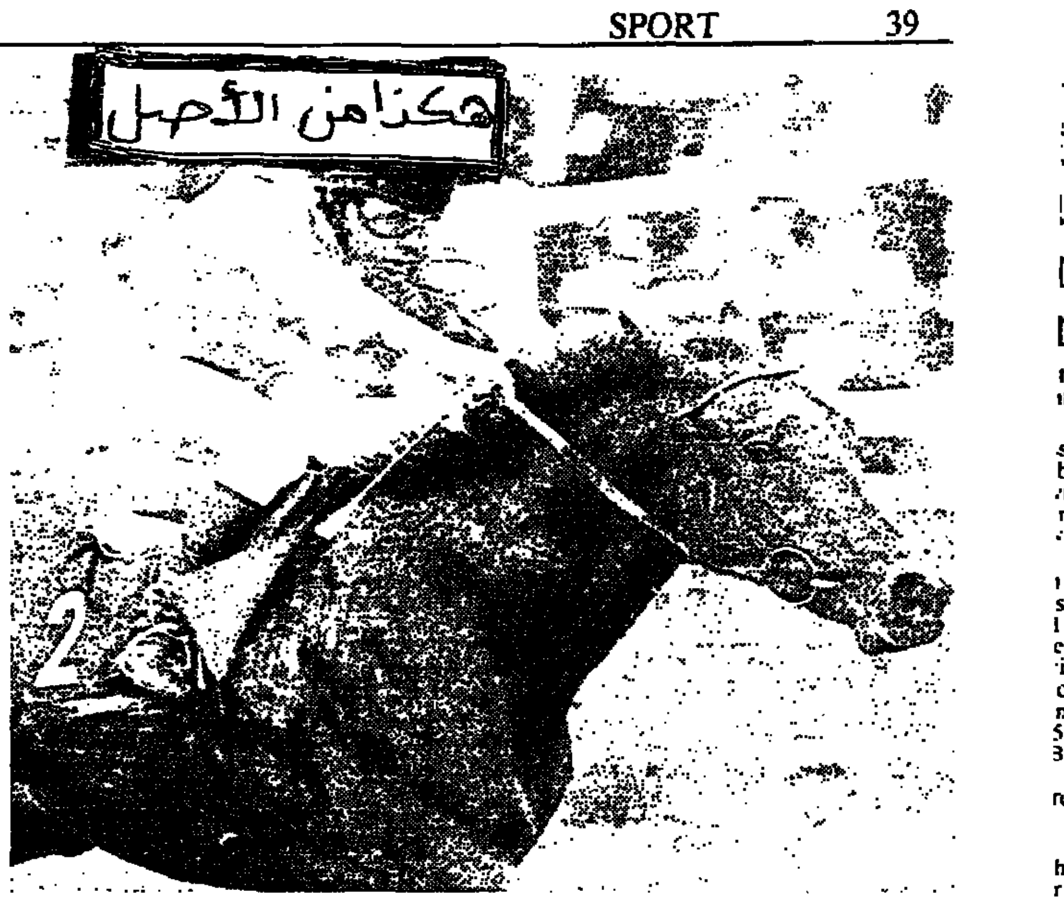
TRAINERS

	Winners	Runners	Per Cent
L Cumani	17	61	27.9
G Harwood	17	87	19.5
J Dunlop	15	89	16.9
B Hanbury	9	74	12.2
M Ryan	12	102	11.8

JOCKEYS

	Winners	Rides	Per Cent
R Hills	11	85	12.9

Only qualifier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Carol's Treasure, representing trainer John Hills in the King George Stakes at Goodwood

Soviet Star's victory pays a compliment to classic form

By Michael Seely

Soviet Star, superbly ridden by Greville Starkey, struck a mighty blow for classic form when emulating Sonic Lady's 1986 victory for Sheikh Mohammed in the Swettenham Stud Sussex Stakes at Goodwood yesterday.

A furlong from home it looked as though the bearded Minister of Defence of Dubai would own the first three horses across the line in Europe's richest mile race. But as Soviet Star and Star Cutter fought out a dramatic finish, Fair Judgment weakened as Hadeer came home strongly to take third place, 1½ lengths behind the runner-up.

Then Again, the 5-4 on favourite, never showed with a chance and eventually finished 5th. "He nearly fell over on the bend and was never going properly afterwards," said a disconsolate Ray Cochrane.

Soviet Star, previously winner of the French 2,000 Guineas before being narrowly defeated by Half A Year in the St James's Palace Stakes at Royal Ascot, started to improve his position as Steve Cauthen sent Star Cutter past Laurie's Warrior three furlongs from home. But Starkey had to ride his hardest before forcing his mount ahead for a half-length win.

"Soviet Star is learning to *settle with his racing,*" said Andre Fabre, the Chantilly trainer. "I'd like to run him in the Prix du Moulin first, then the Dubai Champion Stakes. I think he'll stay 1¼ miles and a straight course will suit him well."

So all the pre-race agonizing over plans for the big race by the Sheikh Mohammed camp had reached fruition. "I'm glad it turned out all right," said Anthony Stroud. "Sonic Lady will still go for the Prix Jacques le Marois. Then we'll have to think about possible permutations for the other top mile races to include the mare. Soviet Star and Star Cutter."

The winning owner watched his second group one success with a colt in Britain live in Dubai on television. "We get it all beamed in on satellite," said John Leat, the Sheikh's personal advisor.

Earlier, a brilliant burst of *finishing speed had not only* won the P & OCL Richmond Stakes for Prince Khalid and Abdulla and Pat Eddery, but served clear warning to Henry Cecil that Guy Harwood is once again a power in the land.

Backed from 7-4 on to 11-4 on, Warning was always travelling easily in the race. Cruising into lead entering the last furlong, the two-year-old beat Bellefella by 1½ lengths with Lapierre the same distance away 3rd.

"He's been showing me recently that he's something pretty special," said Harwood, "and it should take a good one to beat him. He's got a lot of speed and *will probably go for the Prix* Morny at Deauville and then the Middle Park Stakes."

Ladbrokes, the bookmakers, have paid Pulborough the compliment of installing Warning and Tralos as 16-1 joint-favourites for the 2,000 Guineas. Tralos is now to be prepared for the Dewhurst Stakes in October.

Eddery was in invincible form throughout the afternoon and the reigning champion brought his tally for the season to 106, just five behind Cauthen, by landing a 22-1 treble on Angel City, Warning and Actinium.

Angel City's gallant win in the opening Scottish Salmon Stakes continued the welcome return to form of that other powerful Sussex stable, that of John Dunlop.

"He's a tough colt and improving all the time," said the trainer. "He's not in the Ebor and as he leads at least two miles I'll probably train him for the Cesarewitch."

A tilt at Britain's premier long-distance handicap is also on the cards for the John Jenkins-trained Actinium, on whom Eddery completed his treble in the Pimm's Goodwood Stakes. Bringing the four-year-old with a superbly timed late run, the jockey forced Actinium past the post 1½ lengths ahead of Harlestone Lake.

In March Jenkins moved his headquarters from Epsom to Royston. "They seem to like the air there," he said. "I've now had 34 winners on the Flat and over jumps since the move."

Sunday racing seminar

The Jockey Club is to unveil its plans for the introduction of Sunday racing in Britain, should Parliament approve the necessary legislation, at a one-day conference at *Sandown Park on* September 13.

Lord Fairhaven, the senior steward, and General Sir Cecil Blacker, who will chair the conference, will illustrate the possible development of Sunday racing over several years.

"The Jockey Club will focus the industry's attention on the reality of Sunday racing by putting some flesh on what has, until now, been a somewhat hypothetical concept," *Lord* Fairhaven said.

"By the time we hold our conference in September the Jockey Club's Race Planning Committee will have put together a provisional fixture list of some *19* meetings spread over six or seven days in the first year. They will aim for a broad geographical distribution, covering both large and small racecourses, and a wide variety of programmes.

"We are anxious to hear the views of all those involved in making Sunday racing work in Britain, and this conference will give an opportunity for the industry to express its objectives *for the future,*" Lord Fairhaven added.

Randoss triumphs in Galway Plate

W Six Times and *Tarqogan's* Best, the British challengers for yesterday's Ir£40,000 Galway Plate, finished well behind the winner, Randoss (Our Irish Racing Cor*respondent writes).*

Randoss's victory was a family triumph as he is owned by Standish Collen and trained privately by his daughter, Anne.

Mr Collen said: "I have been coming to Galway for 60 years but *this* is quite the most exciting day of my life."

The race was run at a cracking gap dictated by that forceful front-runner Wheels. Bavamour, who shared favouritism at 6-1 with the winner, was lying a close *second when taking a heavy* fall at the fence past the stands.

Randoss, always in a prominent position, moved up to head Wheels at the fifth last *fence and thereafter the only* challenge came from Super Furrow. However, Randoss was able to assert his authority by superior jumping and went *on to win by two lengths.*

Afford A King, who came to the race with the unenviable record of seven consecutive second places, now took the third prize in the 22-runner field six lengths farther back.

This afternoon the Simon Christian-trained Chrysaor carries top-weight of 12 stone in the Guinness Galway Hurdle but despite his vast experience he may fail to give 15lb to Dromod Hill, winner of a valuable mile handicap on the flat here on Tuesday evening.

Yesterday's results

Goodwood

Going: good to firm

2.30 (1m 6f) 1, ANGEL CITY (Pat Eddery, 15-8 fav). 2, Ocean Ballad (W Carson, 14-1); 2, Dunphy's Special (G Starkey, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 5 Faiiq (6th). Scattered Showers (4th). 8 Illustrious. 10 Yaneeb (5th). 50 Samella Sam 8 ran. ¾l, 3l, 2l, 4l, 15l. J Dunlop at Arundel Tote. £2.60; £1 10, £2 30, £3 10. DF: £16 40. CSF £22 13. Tricast £148.22. 3min 03.51sec.

3.0 P & OCL RICHMOND STAKES (Group II: £36,630: 6f)

WARNING b c Known Fact — Slightly Dangerous (K Abdulla) 8-11 Pat Eddery (4-11 fav: Mandarin's nap & Private handicapper's top rating) 1.

Bellefella b c Diesis — Belle Gallante (E Evans) 8-11 J Reid (16-1) 2.

Lapierre b c Lafontaine — Lucky Omen (Mrs J Khan) 8-11 S Cauthen (5-1) 3.

ALSO RAN. 10 Margub (4th). 33 Time Share (5th). 40 Slip And Stick (6th). 50 J Cheever Loophole. 7 ran. 1½l, 1½l, 2½l, 1½l, sh hd. G Harwood at Pulborough. Tote: £1.40; £1.20, £5 10. DF. £8.60. CSF: £6.95. 1min 12.96sec.

3.30 (2m 3f) 1. ACTINIUM (Pat Eddery, 5-1). 2, Harlestone Lake (W Carson, 3-1); 3, White Mill (J Williams, 5-1) ALSO RAN: 5-2 fav Knight's Legend (5th). 7 Mighty Flash (4th). 20 Blocakde (6th). 50 Mr Moss 7 ran. 1½l, 2½l, nk, 10l, 15l. J Jenkins at Royston. Tote. £6.10. £2 70. £1 50 DF: £8.00 CSF. £17.78. 4min 14.70sec.

4.10 SWETTENHAM STUD SUSSEX STAKES (Group I. £152,800: 1m)

SOVIET STAR b c *Nureyev* — Veruschka (Sheikh Mohammed) 3-8-10 G Starkey (3-1) 1.

Star Cutter gr c Star de Naskra — Axed (Sheikh Mohammed) 4-9-7 S Cauthen (6-1) 2.

Hadeer ch h General Assembly — *Glinting* (W Gredley) 5-9-7 Pat Eddery (33-1) 3.

ALSO RAN. 4-5 fav Then Again (5th). 5 Fair Judgment (4th). 33 Efisio (6th). 66 Lauries Warrior 7 ran. ½l, 1½l, ¾l, 1½l, 3l. A Fabre in France Tote. £3.90. £1.70. £2.50 DF: £13 40. CSF: £18.96. 1min 38 83sec.

4.40 (5f) 1. INFANTA MARIA (S Dawson, 14-1). 2. Our Freddie (T Williams, 15-2). 3. Albert Henry (B Rouse, 13-2) ALSO RAN 5-1 jt-fav Make Or Mar (6th). Indian Set. 6 Singing Partner (5th). 9 Frimley Parkson. 12 Summer Sky Woodman Weaver (4th). 14 Emmer Green. 16 *Copper Red. 25 Lucideo* 12 ran NR: Absolution 2l, 1½l, sh hd. 1½l, hd N Vigors at Upper Lambourn. Tote: £27 30: £6 10, £2.30, £2 50 DF: £143 70 CSF: £106 21 Tricast £687.20. 1min 00.23sec After a stewards inquiry the result stood

5.10 (6f) 1. ELA ROMARA (Paul Eddery, 8-13 fav). 2. Masarrah (S Cauthen, 7-2), 3. Nimble Feet (Pat Eddery, 11-2). ALSO RAN 25 Art Duo (5th). Forest Lake. Seleucia (6th), Social Asset (4th) 7 ran NR: Slop Day. 6l, ¾l, 7l, nk, 2 G Wragg at Newmarket. Tote. £1 70: £1 30, £1 50. DF: £1.90. CSF: £3.12. 1min 12.94sec

Jackpot £4,039.50 Placepot £99.10

Redcar

Going: good

2.15 (7f) 1. BOLD ROWLEY (T Sprake, 10-1). 2. Kirkby Flye (G Badwell, 10-1). 3. Lydia Languish (G Duffield, 10-1). 4. Single Hand (K Darley, 12-1) ALSO RAN: 4 fav Hall Shaft. 9 Trade High (6th). 10 Cumbrian Dancer, Glenderry (5th) 11 Hoptons Chance. 12 Keats. 14 Grand Queen. 16 Balkan, Imperial Sunrise. Top O Th'Lane. 20 Brega, Falling Foss. Last Secret. Run For Fred. Stromberg 25 Grimsby Lady, Spring Garden. 33 Boltans. Shark Fighter, Glonant, Galaxy Gala. Rock Salt 27 ran NR: Drumbarra ½l, 3l, 2l, ½l, 1½l J S Wilson at Ayr. Tote £13 80. £3 10. £5.70. £1.40. £3 10 DF: £433.80. CSF. £121.84 Tricast. £991.78 No bid.

2.45 (7f) 1. STEPPEY LANE (N Day, 9-2); 2. Full Listing (W R Swinburn, 4-9 fav). 3. Bar Tender (G Duffield, 8-1) ALSO RAN: 14 Order Paper (4th). Primula Again (5th). 20 Konkiree (6th). 1,000 Sunnygate Flyer 7 ran 2l, 8l. ½l. 2l, 15l W Haigh at Malton. Tote: £4.70; £1.40, £1.40. DF. £2.70. CSF. £6.88.

3.15 (1m 3f) 1. TRANSCENDENCE (B Raymond, 6-1). 2. *Avec Coeur (P Bloomfield, 8-1)*. 3. Ballydurrow (D Nicholls, 3-1 jt-fav) ALSO RAN: 3 jt-fav Fleet Special (6th). 6 Indian Love Song (5th). 8 Al Shamikh (USA) (4th). 9 Wildrush. 7 ran. 1½l, 2½l, 4l, sh hd, 7l B Hanbury at Newmarket. Tote £4.20: £2.40, £4.90. DF. £22.10. CSF· £44.11.

3.50 (1m 6f 160yd) 1. *JOHN DOREY* (G Duffield, 12-1). 2. Troy Fair (W R Swinburn 9-2). 3. Trickshot (M Birch, 17-2). ALSO RAN 7-? fav White Reef (5th). 5 Mischievous Miss (4th). 6 Chiclet (6th). 7 Holly Buoy. 8 Honey Dancer 8 ran. 1½l, nk, ½l, 2l, 2l Sir Mark Prescott at Newmarket. Tote: £7.30; £1 80. £1 70. £2.50 DF £26.60 CSF £58 79. Tricast. £438.71

4.20 (1m 1f) 1. MISS MARTINIQUE (K Hodgson, 15-2); 2. Golden Game (J Lowe, 4-6 fav); 3. Doodlin (G Baxter, 5-2). ALSO RAN 14 Another Season (5th). 20 Miss Zola (4th) 5 ran hd, 1½l, 5l, 5l C Booth at Flaxton Tote £9 10. £2 40, £1 40 DF £5 20 CSF £12 86

4.50 (5f) 1. INCHMURRIN (G Duffield, 9-4 jt-fav). 2. Goldust (G Baxter, 9-4 jt-fav); 3. Golden Flats (T Lucas, 13-2) ALSO RAN. 7 Hush It Up. 8 Frappant (4th). 10 Dappled Flag. 16 Cool Combination (6th). 25 Smokin Josie. 33 Lady Kathy. 9 ran. 4l, 1l, 2l, 1l ½l G Wragg at Newmarket. Tote: £3 60; £1 90. £1.30. £3.40. DF: £3.10. CSF· £7.76

Placepot £95.10.

Tuesday's late results

Redcar

Going: good

7.35 (6f) 1. Calahonda Bay (D Nicholls, 33-1). 2, Pullover (9-4 fav). 3 Lawnswood Realm (9-1). 15 ran 2l, ½l N Bycroft Tote: £73 50. £9 70. £1 70. £3.10. DF. £63 10. CSF. £110.36

8.5 (1m 4f) 1. Natski (R Guest, 1-16 fav); 2, Marie Zephyr (16-1). 3. Choctaw (14-1). 5 ran. 4l 15l L Cumani. Tote £1.10. £1.10. £2.30 DF· £2.20 CSF: £2 35.

8.35 (1m 2f) 1. Min Allah (W Ryan, 4-5 fav); 2. Candy's Sister (5-1). 3. Regent Square (9-1) 7 ran 2½l, 7l H Cecil Tote. £1.60. £1 30. £1.70. DF. £2.10. CSF: £5.62.

York acceptors

MATCHMAKER INTERNATIONAL (Group I: 1m 2½f): Allez Milord, Ascot Knight, Celestial Storm, Chaumiere, Don't Forget Me, Eastbell, Fair Judgment, Grand Pavois, Groom Dancer, Indian Skimmer, Laluche, Love The Groom, Moon Madness, Most Welcome, Molley, Mtoto, Naheez, Reference Point, Risk Me, Scarlet Blade, Shady Heights, Sharp Noble, Sir Harry Lewis, Tommy Way, Trempolino, Triptych. (To be run August 18).

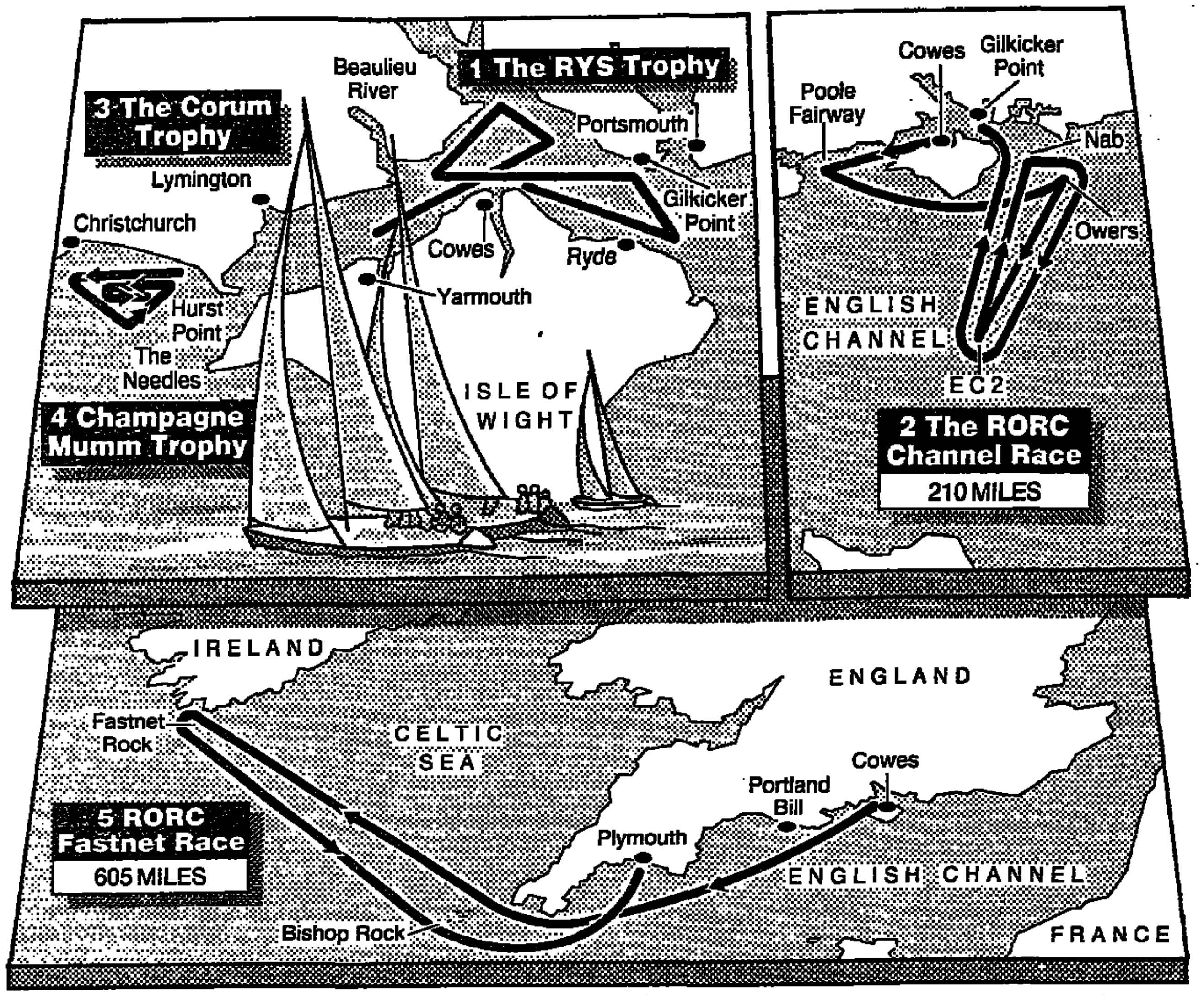
YORKSHIRE OAKS (Group 1: 3-Y-O fillies: 1m 4f) Aida, Bint Pasha, Blessed Event, Bourbon Girl, Debach Delight, Diamond Seal, Eurobird, Faraway Pastures, Island Lake, Known Line, Lady Bentley, Laluche, Mamouna, Ploy, Port Helene, Queen Midas, Queen's Bridge, Shining Water, Three Tails, Working Model (To be run *August 18)*

WILLIAM HILL SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIP (Group I 5f) Acushla Aydal, Aramor, Astronef, Bluebird, Carol's Treasure, Clantime, Come On Chase Me, Flawless Image, Gallic League, Gayane, Gemini Fire, Ginny Binny, Hallgate, Handsome Sailor, La Grande Epoque, Mansooj, Merdon Melody, Mister Majestic, Oakworth Orient, Perion, Raahia, Respect, Rich Charlie, Sharp Reminder, Sizzling Melody, Tenue De Soiree, Treasure Kay, Whipper In (To be run August 20)

YACHTING: ONLY ONE WORRY AS BRITAIN CHASE RECORD NINTH WIN IN ADMIRAL'S CUP AT COWES

British hopes soar with Indulgence

By Barry Pickthall



The 14 international three-boat teams head out from Cowes this morning to contest the sixteenth Admiral's Cup – ocean racing's equivalent of a world championship – which starts with a 30-mile inshore race around the Solent and culminates with the 605-mile Fastnet classic, starting on August 8.

Britain's team, made up of Graham Walker's Indulgence, and two smaller one-tonners, Jamarella and Juno, are among the favourites to win the series for a record ninth time. They have the advantage of local waters, but face stiff opposition from at least six other nations, some of which have held trials around the Solent.

Others, such as the Americans, have hired local experts to help prevent mishaps, with designer Hugh Welbourn acting as navigator aboard their leading entry, Insatiable, and Ken Newman, secretary of the local Daring keelboat class, doing the same for Blue Yankee.

This year's event, sponsored by Champagne Mumm, promises to be the most competitive yet, for though numbers are down on the 19 that contested this biennial championship between 1975 and 1979, only the amateurs who could once afford to dabble in the game for fun have stayed away.

The hard core that remain now treat it as a professional sport, both financially and in attitude. This year the event is open to sponsored entries for the first time, and the finance has allowed Australia and New Zealand to arrive three weeks before and work their boats up to match the best European performances.

In Britain, sponsorship from the London stockbrokers, James Capel, has provided a professional coach for the team for the first time. Another addition is a weather man with video and computer equipment to monitor performance improvements of all the boats.

With it, has also come a less savoury attitude: protests come thick and fast over the most minor rule infringements. On Tuesday, Britain forced the Danish yacht, Original Bechkmanns Pletfierner, to return to the measurement dock after questioning her stability figures (the yacht was cleared yesterday). Then, the crew of the French yacht, Corum, have been forced to paint out the face of a watch on their transom and the Australians were to write to the Race Committee yesterday asking it to check the size of lettering on several other yachts.

Hopefully, all this nitpicking will end when the cannon signals the first start at 11.30 today and crews begin the business of outwitting each other on the water instead.

This year, the Royal Ocean Racing Club has introduced a minimum cumulative rating for each team of 95ft to stop nations entering three one-tonners at the favoured lower end of the rating band. Ten teams including the expected front runners, Australia, Britain, Denmark, West Germany, Ireland and New Zealand have entered two one-tonners (rating around 30.5ft) and a larger 34ft rater.

So far, Indulgence, skippered by Harold Cudmore and steered by Eddie Warden Owen, the America's Cup crew assembled by Walker, have dominated racing this season and remain favourites to repeat their performance aboard Phoenix in the last series when they finished individual points leaders.

The one question mark within the British team hangs over Juno. Last week Mike McIntyre, the helmsman, was sadly forced to withdraw from Mike Peacock's crew after his son, aged 3, became seriously ill. It now remains to be seen whether this Rob Humphreys-designed boat can be brought back to a winning groove by Tony Gale, the replacement.

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The weather is likely to play a large part in deciding the winning team (Barry Pickthall writes). If the prevailing winds stem from the south-west, the strong flooding tidal streams running during the three inshore races are likely to benefit the larger yachts which will gain *from the longer time spent* sailing to windward.

If conditions are light with patches of calm, the smaller boats will be favoured.

Fastnet spectacle

Though facilities for spectators afloat are limited to a few boats leaving Ancaster Marina in Cowes early each morning, the Fastnet Race, starting off Cowes Castle on August 8, should look spectacular both from afloat and ashore.

Spectators on Cowes Green will have a grandstand view, as will those at the Needles or Hurst Castle on the mainland an hour later, as the fleet heads out through Hurst Narrows into the English Channel. Further west, the yachts can be viewed as they pass Portland Bill in mid-afternoon and when they return to Plymouth

£8m investment

With most individual Admiral's Cup campaigns costing some £200,000, this year's fleet represents a total investment of more than £8 million.

Race schedule

TODAY: *First inshore race.* RYS Trophy (30 miles approximately): course, in Solent (direction according to wind); starts from committee boat near Cowes (11.30).
TOMORROW: RORC Channel Race (210 miles); course, Cowes to Poole Fairway to Owers light, EC2 to NAB Tower toOwers to EC2, Bembridge Ledge to Gilkicker Point: start from Cowes (3.0).
AUGUST 3: Second inshore race. Corum Trophy (30 miles); over an Olympic course set in Christchurch Bay; starts from committee boat (11.30).
AUGUST 5: Third inshore Race. Champagne Mumm Trophy (30 miles): over Olympic course set in Christchurch Bay: starts from committee boat (11.30).
AUGUST 8: RORC Fastnet Race (605 miles): course: Cowes, Needles Channel, Fastnet Rock to Bishop Rock toPlymouth: start from Cowes (10.0).

Previous winners

BRITAIN: 1957, 1959, 1963, 1965, 1971, 1975, 1977, 1981:
WEST GERMANY: 1973, 1983, 1985.
AUSTRALIA: 1967, 1979.
UNITED STATES: 1961, 1969.

GUIDE TO THE CONTENDERS FOR 1987

Australia

Team Captain: Peter Shipway
Yacht 1: Swan Premium 1
Owner/skipper: L Abrahams
Designer: Ed Dubois
Rating: 30.55ft
Sail No: KASM 2
Yacht 2: Swan Premium II
Owner/skipper: G Appleby
Designer: Bruce Farr
Rating: 30.55ft
Sail No: KA4000
Yacht 3: Swan Premium III
Owner/skipper: P Kurts
Designer: Bruce Farr
Rating: 34.31ft
Sail No: KA3000

With six America's Cup sailors among the team, including the Kookaburra III skipper, Iain Murray, aboard Swan Premium I, this is the strongest challenge to stem from Australia since they won the Cup for the second time in the storm-ridden series of 1979.

Austria

Team Captain: Moni Eisl
Yacht 1: Pinta
Owner/skipper: *W Illbruck*
Designer: Judel/Vrolijk
Rating: 34.21ft
Sail No: G 3417
Yacht 2: I Punkt
Owner/skipper: T Friese
Designer: Judel/Vrolijk
Rating: 30.5ft
Sail No: G 3063
Yacht 3: Ritec Poinciana
Owner/skipper: Bouscholte/Vinke
Designer: Phillipe Briand
Rating: 30.47ft
Sail No: H 61

Belgium

Team Captain: Luc Heymans
Yacht 1: Port du Crouesty
Owner/skipper: C Focque
Designer: Jean Berret
Rating: 30.38ft
Sail No: F 9230
Yacht 2: CGI
Owner/skipper: B Caignaert
Designer: Daniel Andrieu
Rating: 30.47ft
Sail No: F 9213
Yacht 3: Val Maubee
Owner/skipper: G Ribadeau Dumas
Designer: Guy Ribadeau Dumas
Rating: 34.59ft
Sail No: F 9229

Britain

Team Captain: Graham Walker
Yacht 1: Indulgence
Owner/skipper: G Walker
Designer: Daniel Andrieu
Rating: 34.56ft
Sail No: K 919
Yacht 2: Jamarella
Owner/skipper: A Gray
Designer: Bruce Farr
Rating: 30.54ft
Sail No: K 180
Yacht 3: Juno
Owner/skipper: *M Peacock*
Designer: Rob Humphreys
Rating: 30.51ft
Sail No: K 505

Britain's home water advantage has contributed towards their eight previous victories. Indulgence and Jamarella have both proved outstanding performers but the question mark on whether Britain can make it nine, hangs over Juno following the withdrawal of helmsman Mike McIntyre from the crew after the trials.

Denmark

Team captain: Mogens Brinks
Yacht 1: Andelsbanken
Owner/skipper: V Greulich
Designer: Niels Jeppesen
Rating: 30.55ft
Sail No: D 1215
Yacht 2: Original Bechkmanns Pletfierner
Owner/skipper: P Jesperson
Designer: Niels Jeppesen
Rating: 34.51ft
Sail No: D 1211
Yacht 3: Stockbroker Leif Jensen & Co
Owner/skipper: J Host
Designer: Niels Jeppesen
Rating: 30.55ft
Sail No: D 1226

A relative newcomer to the Admiral's Cup, Denmark finished a creditable fifth at their second attempt in 1985, when one of their yacht's, Euro, came third overall.

France

Team captain: Gilles Faunier
Yacht 1: Corum
Owner/skipper: *P Briand*
Designer: Philippe Briand
Rating: 34.63ft
Sail No: F 9287
Yacht 2: Xeryus
Owner/skipper: B Trouble
Designer: Finot/Berret/Fauroux
Rating: 30.27ft
Sail No: F9070
Yacht 3: Centurion Musdor
Owner/skipper: J Dick
Designer: Rob Humphreys
Rating: 30.45ft
Sail No: F9247

Ireland

Team captain: Terence Johnson
Yacht 1: Turkish Delight
Owner/skipper: M Mansfield
Designer: Tony Castro
Rating: 34.21ft
Sail No: K 1036
Yacht 2: Jameson Whiskey
Owner/skipper: R Burrows
Designer: Ed Dubois
Rating: 30.55ft
Sail No: IR 1780
Yacht 3: Irish Independent
Owner/skipper: T Power
Designer: Ed Dubois
Rating: 30.49ft
Sail No: K 243

Irish Independent (formerly Full Pelt) was the top performer at last year's Sardinia Cup and favourite for a place in the British team until being dismasted during the trials. Snapped up by the Irish, she joins sister ship Jameson Whiskey steered by Britain's David Howlett and Turkish Delight, another former British Cup contender.

Italy

Team captain: Mario Di Giovanni
Yacht 1: Mandrake-Krizia
Owner/skipper: G Carriero
Designer: Philippe Briand
Rating: 34.6ft
Sail No: I 11023
Yacht 2: Marisa Konica
Owner/skipper: U Lucarelli
Designer: L Brenta
Rating: 34.69ft
Sail No: I 11011
Yacht 3: Merope
Owner/skipper: M Holm
Designer: A Vallicelli
Rating: 30.55ft
Sail No: I 10790

The Netherlands

Team captain: Gerry Jeelof
Yacht 1: Caiman
Owner/skipper: G Jeelof
Designer: Judel/Vrolijk
Rating: 34.68ft
Sail No: H 36
Yacht 2: Promotion
Owner/skipper: J Dolk
Designer: German Frers
Rating: 39.8ft
Sail No: H 96
Yacht 3: Mean Machine
Owner/skipper: P de Ridder
Designer: Bruce Farr
Rating: 30.55ft
Sail No: H 189

New Zealand

Team Captain: Graeme Dagg
Yacht 1: Kiwi
Owner/skipper: P Walker
Designer: Bruce Farr
Rating: 34.47ft
Sail No: KZ 6191
Yacht 2: Propaganda
Owner/skipper: B Woolley
Designer: Bruce Farr
Rating: 30.59ft
Sail No: KZ 6161
Yacht 3: Goldcorp
Owner/skipper: M Canning
Designer: Laurie Davidson
Rating: 30.58ft
Sail No: KZ 296

Winners of last year's Kenwood Cup series in Hawaii and Australia's Southern Cross Cup, the Kiwis are confident of winning the grand slam

Spain

Team captain: Antonio Quinteiro
Yacht 1: Anquins Too
Owner/skipper: A Quinteiro
Designer: Joubert/Nivelt
Rating: 34.22ft
Sail No: E 2525
Yacht 2: Vento
Owner/skipper M Fernandez
Designer: Tony Castro
Rating: 30.54ft
Sail No: K 7227
Yacht 3: Mayurca
Owner/skipper: G Cryns
Designer: P Gonzalez
Rating: 30.72ft
Sail No: E 2747

Sweden

Team captain: *Gunnar Ekdhl*
Yacht 1: Royal Blue
Owner/skipper: G Ekdhl
Designer: Philippe Briand
Rating: 40.0ft
Sail No: S 10010
Yacht 2: Civic
Owner/skipper: J Norrman
Designer: Peter Norlin
Rating: 30.1ft
Sail No: S 9121
Yacht 3: Eurocard
Owner/skipper: B Sall
Designer: Peter Norlin
Rating: 30.54ft
Sail No: S 9171

USA

Team captain: Randy Short
Yacht 1: Insatiable
Owner/skipper: G Wiseman
Designer: Nelson/Marek
Rating: 35.18ft
Sail No: US 41241
Yacht 2: Sidewinder
Owner/skipper: C Short III
Designer: Reichel/Pugh
Rating: 34.99ft
Sail No: US 18968
Yacht 3: Blue Yankee
Owner/skipper: B Towse
Designer: Judel/Vrolijk
Rating: 34.2ft
Sail No: US 41110

The Americans have one of the strongest crew line-ups with Gary Wiseman, John Bertrand, John Marshall, Steve Benjamin and Dave *Ullman all playing principal* roles. Their gamble has been to select three mid-sized yachts.

West Germany

Team captain: Norbert Lorck Schierning
Yacht 1: Container
Owner/skipper: U Schutz
Designer: Judel/Vrolijk
Rating: 30.52ft
Sail No: G 1909
Yacht 2: Saudade
Owner/skipper: A Bunll
Designer: Judel/Vrolijk
Rating: 30.56ft
Sail No: G 1919
Yacht 3: Diva
Owner/skipper: *P Westphal Langloh*
Designer: Judel/Vrolijk
Rating: 34.42ft
Sail No: G 2994

Winners in 1983 and 1985, the German team headed by Berand Beilken on Diva, Uwe Mares aboard Saudade and Gerd Eiermann on Container, have a tremendous depth of talent

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MOTOR CYCLING

Gardner hopes to keep his powder dry at Donington

By Michael Scott

The fickle British summer will play a crucial role in Sunday's British grand prix at Donington Park. If it is dry, Wayne Gardner, the championship leader, is expected to win, and consolidate his points lead. If it rains, the race should go to Randy Mamola ... and the championship will be thrown open again.

The Australian, Gardner, formerly based in Britain and holder of six national titles, hopes to win for: "The sake of my British fans." More crucially, he needs to win to sustain his advantage in this ninth round of the 15 race series.

Unfortunately for the Rothmans-sponsored works Honda rider, aged 27, the August meeting, formerly held at Silverstone, is seldom dry, and rain would mean that Mamola (Lucky Strike Yamaha), a specialist in wet weather, will probably repeat the runaway victories he scored in Japan in March and in France two weeks ago. This would close the 12-point gap between the two men.

Gardner earlier seemed invincible, and has made no mistakes on his way to four wins this year. Mamola crashed in Italy, losing third place, and an off-track excursion in the Netherlands dropped him from first to second in another wet race.

These two have outstripped the other front runners. Eddie Lawson, the champion (Marlboro Yamaha), has been dogged by ill luck, and apart from three non-finishes, including a crash in France, has found Gardner's new 150-horsepower Honda more than a match for his ageing V4 works Yamaha.

Freddie Spencer (Honda), the former champion, had been expected to make an impressive comeback in 1987, but dogged by injury, has missed every race. He arrived at Donington Park yesterday, and the racing world is agog to see if the depth of the American's talent is enough to survive dubious fitness and an absence from racing of 18 months.

Works Hondas and Yamahas dominate the contest, and a number of British riders are among the ranks and anxious to prove their worth on a familiar circuit. Most is expected of Niall Mackenzie, riding a works Honda, whose first 500cc year has been marked with erratic luck. The Scot has ranged from a fine third place in Austria to several crashes.

Ron Haslam is fourth in the championship, lives near Donington Park, and is something of a specialist on a difficult track with complex flowing curves. But there is a question mark over his machinery. If he rides the works Honda, he has as good a chance of victory as ever in his career. If his French Elf sponsors insist he rides the unconventional Elf 4, which includes hub-centre steering, his chances will be very slim.

Rob McElnea has also had a bad year, and still has an injured right hand after crashing his works Yamaha four times, while young Kenny Irons has the disadvantage of a relatively underpowered V4 Suzuki to set against his circuit knowledge.

Mamola: specialist in wet

The British race has five classes — 500cc, 250cc, 125cc, 80cc and sidecars. There is British interest in the smallest class, where Ian McConnachie, of Derbyshire, riding a works Krauser, hopes to repeat his Silverstone victory of last year.

The 250 class is a fascinating battle between Reinhold Roth, the leader, and Anton Mang, the other German and former champion, while the 125 class is virtually an Italian benefit.

However, the 500 class commands most attention and the weather will probably decide the outcome.

Lord's Test winner

SUMMER OF SPORT

***Mr Robert J Peacock* is the winner of *The Times'* competition offering a visit for two people to watch the MCC *Bicentenary match at Lord's* on Saturday, August 22. Mr Peacock, who lives at Barnes, *London SW13*, and a companion will be taken to Lord's for the day's play between the MCC XI and the Rest of the World XI and then on to the Regent Crest Hotel in the West End for an overnight stay.**

Mr Peacock's entry was the first correct one opened from all those received by the closing date, last Monday. The answers were: 1, A. E. Trott; 2, G. R. J. Roope; 3, Sir Alec Douglas-Home (now Lord Home, then Lord Dunglass); 4, Two; 5, Calcutta.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

CRICKET

NatWest Trophy
Quarter-final
10.30, 60 overs
CHELMSFORD: Essex v Northamptonshire

One-day international
10.30, 55 overs
JESMOND: England XI v Rest of World XI.
SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: **Pontardulais:** Glamorgan v Yorkshire; **Blackheath:** Kent v Essex; **Middleton:** Lancashire v Leicestershire; **Bedford:** Northamptonshire v Middlesex; **Taunton:** Somerset v Hampshire; **Banstead:** Surrey v Sussex; **Walmley:** Warwickshire v Gloucestershire; **Worcester:** Worcestershire v Derbyshire.
MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP: **Eastern division:** **Fenner's:** Cambridgeshire v Bedfordshire; **Lakenham:** Norfolk v Cumberland. **Western division:** **Finchampstead:** Berkshire v Dorset; **Exmouth:** Devon v Buckinghamshire.

Women's tour match
11.0, 55 overs
HINCKLEY: East Midlands v Australians.
BUNBURY SCHOOLS' FESTIVAL: Harrow CC: ESCA v President's XI.

OTHER SPORT

BILLIARDS: World amateur championship (at Belfast).
BOWLS: Inter-county: Kent v Northamptonshire (at Borough Green); Leicestershire v Essex (at Knighton Victoria); Middlesex v Cambridgeshire (at Broomfield); South Glamorgan v Herefordshire (at Cardiff Rhiwbina).
EQUESTRIANISM: British Derby show jumping meeting (at Hickstead).
GOLF: English amateur championship (at Frilford Heath); Welsh amateur championship (at Royal Porthcawl); Weetabix British women's open (at St Mellion); Dunhill amateur masters: Regional final (at Manor House Hotel).
MOTOR CYCLING: British World championship grand prix untimed practice (at Donington Park).
SPEEDWAY: National League: Arena Essex v Berwick; Middlesbrough v Newcastle.
SWIMMING: Hewlett Packard ASA national long course championships (at Crystal Palace NSC).
YACHTING: Admiral's Cup (at Cowes); European Championship Javelin class (at Pagham YC, Surrey).
GENERAL: World wheelchair games (at Stoke Mandeville).

SPORT ON TV

INTERNATIONAL CRICKET: England XI v Rest of World XI from Jesmond. Tyne-Tees TV: 11 a.m., 1.30 and 5.15 p.m. Highlights: 11.30 p.m.
RACING: 2.30, 3.0, 3.30 and 4.10 races from Glorious Goodwood. BBC2: 2.15 p.m.
INTERNATIONAL SHOW JUMPING: Silk Cut Tankard from Hickstead. BBC1: 1.45-4.10 p.m.

FOR THE RECORD

BADMINTON

GRAND PRIX RANKINGS: Men: 1, Yang Yang (China), 1,180pts. 2, M Frost (Den) and Zhao Jianhua (China), 1,130; 4, Xiong Guobao (China), 1,120. 5, D Hall (GB), 1,045. 6, I Sugiarto (Indo), 920. 7, I Frederiksen (Den), 770; 8, Park Sung-Bae (S Kor), 755; 9, E Kumawan (Indo), 730. 10, P-E Hoyer-Larsen (Den), 695. Women: 1, Li Lingwei (China), 1,760; 2, K Larsen (Den), 1,300. 3, H Aiping (China), 1,190; 4, Lee Young-Suk (S Kor), 915; 5, Qian Ping (China) 800. 6, Chun Sung-Suk (S Kor), 705. 7, C Hattens (Den), 635. 8, E Latief (Indo), 585. 9, S Kitada (Japan), 580; 10, Shi Wen (China), 560.

BASEBALL

NORTH AMERICA: American League: New York Yankees 2, Kansas City Royals 1; Cleveland Indians 4, Baltimore Orioles 3; Detroit Tigers 3, Chicago White Sox 1; Toronto Blue Jays 5, Boston Red Sox 4; Milwaukee Brewers 9, Texas Rangers 2; California Angels 9, Oakland Athletics 2; Seattle Mariners 6, Minnesota Twins 1. National League: Chicago Cubs 8, Montreal Expos 3, Cincinnati Reds 8, San Diego Padres 7. Philadelphia Phillies 5, Pittsburgh Pirates 2; Atlanta Braves 6, Houston Astros 1. New York Mets 6, St Louis Cardinals 4; Los Angeles Dodgers 4, San Francisco Giants 2.

BILLIARDS

BELFAST: World Amateur championships: Group A: G Sethi (India) bt D Elliott (N Ire), 1,702-1,267; D Collins (Aus) bt D Brennan (Ire) 2,050-786. J McIntyre (N Ire) bt M Spoormans (Bel), 1,095-877. D Edwards (Wales) bt T Ward (Eng), 1,608-912. Sethi bt Collins 2,516-1,272. Group B: J Grech (Malta) bt J Millen (Aus) 2,589-899. S McClarey (N Ire) bt T Martin (Ire), 1,495-944. B Kelly (Scot) bt J Millen (Aus), 1,472-914. P Gilchrist (Eng) bt Grech, 1,631-1,613. D Meredith (NZ) bt M de Sutter (Bel), 1,479-546

DIVING

BARTLESVILLE, Oklahoma: US outdoor championships: Men: 3m Springboard, preliminary stage (All US): 1, G Louganis, 638.61pts. Women: Platform, preliminary stage: 1, C Smith, 356.49

EQUESTRIANISM

STAVANGER, Norway: World harness driving series: Overall standings (after 19 of 21 races): 1, U Thorsen (Nor) 180pts. 2, E Demmler (Aus) 165; 3, B Jorgensen (Den) 147 (1-2-4-6). British: 9, S Lees, 85.

SPEEDWAY

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Milton Keynes 46, Berwick 32. Postponed: Mildenhall v Canterbury – track waterlogged.
INTER-LEAGUE CHALLENGE: Poole 40, Wolverhampton 38.

SWIMMING

FRESNO, California: US long course championships: Men, 200m breaststroke (all US): 1, S Bentley, 2min 15.30sec; 2, B Beedle, 2:15.80. 3, J Kubiak, 2:16.40. 200m butterfly: 1, M Stewart, 1:58.13; 2, B Patten, 1.59.59. 3, W Stapleton, 2:00.41. 200m backstroke: 1, S Johnson, 2:01.68. 2, D Veatch, 2:02.13; 3, R Carey, 2:02.25. 100m freestyle: 1, M Biondi, 49.34. 2, R Oppel, 50.24; 3, T Dalbey, 50.35.

Women, 200m breaststroke: 1, A Shaw, 2:29.78; 2, S Johnson, 2:32.44; 3, D Tiernen, 2:33.19. 200m butterfly: 1, M Buddemeyer, 2:12.27; 2, K Davies, 2:12.45; 3, K McGrath, 2:12.58. 200m backstroke: 1, A Hayes, 2:12.37; 2, E Barr, 2:12.66; 3, K Linehan, 2:12.90. 100m freestyle: 1, D Torres, 56.14; 2, J Johnson, 56.34. 3, G Cornelius, 56.74.

YACHTING

CROSSHAVEN, Ireland: Heineken world Enterprise championships: Second race (All GB): 1, T Brettel and P Franklin; 2, N Marsden and K Crebbin, 3, I Barker and S Cook. 4, F Marshall and R Libby; 5, I Southworth and A Service. 6, I Fisher and S Pinder. Overall standings: 1, Marsden and Crebbin, 2¾pts; 2, Barker and Cook, 5; 3, Southworth and Service, 8. 4, T Horsy and G Pallett, 12; 5, Brettel and Franklin, 18¾; 6 P Vincent and A Jones, 21

WHEELCHAIR GAMES

STOKE MANDEVILLE: World championships: **BASKETBALL:** USA bt Japan 80-37; Canada bt Brazil 88-30; Australia bt Brazil 86-35; Great Britain bt Japan 53-41.

TENNIS: Holland bt Israel 2-1; Switzerland bt Hong Kong 3-0. West Germany bt Oman II 3-0; US II bt Oman 3-0; Holland II bt US III 3-0; France bt Great Britain 3-0; Holland II bt Great Britain II 3-0.

ATHLETICS: Men: 400m, class II: P Clark (Can), 1min 05.5sec (new world record). Class III: L Losstrom (Swe), 1.02.80. Women: 400m, class II: I Laundsen (Den), 1-21.39. Class III: D Kostelyk (Can) 1:24.98; IV: D Rakiecki (Can), 1.20.32; V: J Driscoll (US), 1-15.45.

SWIMMING: Men: 50m backstroke, class II: M Szpomarowicz (Pol), 44.48sec; Class III: P Mills (GB), 41.41. 100m backstroke, class IV: J van Loon (Neth), 1:28.43; Class V: Z Sajkiewicz (Pol), 1:23.63. Class VI: G Dunne (Ire), 1:16.40. Women: 50m backstroke, class II: C Gettinger (US) 50.96 (new world record). Class III: B Gronli (Nor) 1:00.34. 100m backstroke, class III: B Gull (GB) 1:44.97; Class IV: M Adamik (Pol), 1:36.70. Class VI: N Clarke (US), 1.41.18.

SHOOTING: Air weapons: Women, class 2-6: A Gray (GB). Men, class 2-6: M Michoux (Fr). Class 1a-1c: W Reiter (Austria).

MEDALS TABLE

	G	S	B	Total
US	9	4	4	17
Canada	6	5	1	12
Poland	5	2	5	12
Holland	4	2	0	6
G Britain	3	2	2	7
Kuwait	3	1	1	5

TENNIS

APTOS: California women's Open tournament: Singles, first round (US unless stated): M Gurney bt L Green, 7-5, 6-2; T Phelps bt V Nelson-Dunbar, 6-2, 6-1; K Jordan bt G Dinu (WG), 6-0, 6-1, E Hakami bt C Benjamin, 6-1, 6-3, L Allen bt P Vasquez (Peru), 4-6, 6-4, 6-3; *S Mascarin bt A Holikova (Cz), 7-6, 3-6, 6-3; I* Kuczynska (Pol) bt L Antonopolis, 6-3, 6-4; D Graham bt R Reis, 6-4, 7-5; N Porter bt M Javer, 6-1, 6-2; K Schimper (SA) bt E Minter (Aus), 7-6, 5-7, 6-2.
WASHINGTON DC: Men's Classic tournament: Singles, first round (US unless stated): T Witsken bt K Flach, 6-2, 6-1; W Scanlon bt J Yzaga (Peru), 6-3, 0-6, 6-0; N Odizor (Nig) bt G Donnelly, 6-2, 6-3, J Pugh bt D Tarr (SA), 6-2, 6-1. M Davis bt G Muller (SA), 6-2, 6-0; B Pearce bt M Robertson (SA), 6-3, 7-5; J Lapidus bt M Kratzman (Aus), 5-7, 6-4, 6-2; J Tarango bt T Mmoh (Nig), 6-2, 3-0 – retd hurt; B Drewett (Aus) bt B Testerman, 7-6, 7-6; L Warder (Aus) bt E Winogradsky (Fr), 4-6, 6-4, 7-5. Second round: J Arias bt M Kures, 7-5, 6-2; J Connors bt K Jones, 6-3, 6-4
ALDERSHOT: Army championships: Men's Open singles: Quarter-finals: Lt Watts bt WO2 Herlihy, 6-1, 6-2; WO2 Janes bt Major Hughes, 6-2, 4-6, 6-3; Capt Craig bt Sig Dunworth, 3-6, 6-1, 6-1; Lt Shaw bt L-Cpl Simpson, 6-4, 6-1. Open doubles: Quarter-finals: Lt Watts and Major Hughes bt S-Sgt Tomlinson and C-Sgt Prys-Roberts, 6-4, 6-3. *L-Cpl Simpson and Sig Dunworth bt Brig* Reeves and Major Hilton, 4-6, 7-6, 6-4; WO2 Janes and WO2 Herlihy bt C-Sgt Weaver and Major Henry, 6-2, 6-4; Capt Craig and Lt Shaw bt L-Col Hopkin and Capt Green, 6-2, 6-3. Inter Arms and Corps doubles: Semi-finals: WO2 Janes and WO2 Herlihy bt Lt Watts and L-Col Petrgrew, 6-2, 6-3. Capt Craig and Capt Green bt Brig Reeves and Major Hilton, 7-5, 6-4. Women: Quarter-finals: Lt Richardson bt Cpl Westley, 6-1, 6-1, Lt Ogden-Swift bt Cpl Smith, 6-0, 6-4; Lance Cpl Baughan bt Lance Cpl Callow, 6-2, 6-0, Major Dickson bt Pte Cowan, 6-0, 6-2. Veterans' Open Singles: Semi-finals: Brig Reeves bt Major McManus, 7-6, 6-0. L-Col Hopkin bt L-Col Woodiffe, 6-1, 6-7, 6-3.
HILVERSUM: Dutch Open championship: Men's singles, first round: R Osterthun (WG) bt S Birner (Cz), 6-3, 6-4; J Arrese (Sp) bt J Lopez-Maeso (Sp), 6-2, 5-7, 6-3. Second round: T Muster (Austria) bt H-J Schwaier (WG), 7-6, 6-3.
BASTAD: Swedish Open tournament: Men's singles: First round (Swedish unless stated): *M Wilander bt D Perez (Uru), 7-5, 4-6, 6-3*; S Edberg bt S Eriksson, 6-3, 6-2; K Carlsson bt M Gustafsson, 6-3, 2-6, 6-3. C Bergstrom bt H de la Pena (Arg), 6-1, 6-3; P Arraya (Peru) bt T Carbonell (Arg), 6-4, 6-3; L Duncan (US) bt L Joensson (US), 6-4, 6-2; J Nystrom bt F Cancellotti (It), 6-3, 6-2, T Haldin bt W Popp (WG), 5-7, 7-5, 6-3, A Jarryd bt D Keretic (WG), 6-4, 6-4, E Sanchez (Sp) bt L-A Wahlgren, 6-1, 6-4; F Luna (Sp) bt J Sanchez (Sp), 6-2, 6-4. Second round: P Vojtisek (WG) bt M Pernfors, 6-4, 6-2; J Nystrom bt J Navratil (Cz), 6-0, 6-1; S Edberg bt T Haldin, 6-2, 6-0; J Gunnarsson bt P Lundgren, 6-1, 6-0.

FOOTBALL

FRANKFURT: West German Supercup: Bayern Munich 2, SV Hamburg 1.
GENEVA: Servette 3, West Ham Utd 1.

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GOLF: TICKER-TAPE WELCOME FOR UNITED STATES WOMEN'S OPEN CHAMPION AT ST MELLION

Davies relying on her caddie to show her the way round

By Mitchell Platts, Golf Correspondent

Laura Davies was given a ticker-tape welcome by her European colleagues when she arrived to defend the women's British Open, sponsored by Weetabix, which will start at St Mellion, near Plymouth, today.

The new United States Open champion drank champagne, with family and friends, from the two-foot high silver trophy she had brought back across the Atlantic. Then she stressed that she would not be deserting the European scene to play full time in the United States.

"To begin with it will not necessarily be my decision because as things stand I will still have to go to the qualifying school for the US circuit in September," Miss Davies said.

"It could mean two trips over there, unless I am granted exemption as US Open champion, and I'm not sure that I would bother especially as I rather like the Laing tournament which is on at Stoke Poges at the same time.

"I wouldn't be angry if they didn't give me my player's card because it is not up to me. If they did then I would probably play 15 tournaments in America early in the year then eight in Japan and 12 in Europe. What I hope is that I have helped to show how strong our own tour is now. I really believe that we have 10 or 15 players in Europe who could do well in America."

Maxine Burton, the chairman of the WPGA, said: "We're all so proud of what Laura has done. She has always been an attraction on the tour. She's the biggest hitter in the world, she's the leader of our Order of Merit and she's the reigning British Open champion. Now as US Open champion it should give the tour another boost."

The first realization for Miss Davies that life might be somewhat different in the future came from the British Airways desk in New York where, on arrival, she was promptly upgraded from economy class to Super Club. "My brother, Tony, who caddied for me at the US Open, and my cousin, Matthew, were given the same treatment," said Miss Davies. "It was very kind of them."

Meanwhile, at St Mellion, at the Ladies' Gold Union, who are staging the championship in conjunction with the International Management Group, smoothed the way for Miss Davies. They ignored the noon registration deadline and switched tee-off times so that Miss Davies will now go out at 1.50 this afternoon rather than 8.20 this morning.

That was nothing less than she deserved and neither was the champagne welcome, complete with balloons, cake and party-poppers.

Meanwhile, the most important man in Laura's life this morning will be Tim Clarke, her regular caddie who missed the excitement at Edison. He has paced the new St Mellion course which Miss Davies will play 'blind' as she arrived too late for practice.

Card of course

Hole	Yds	Par	Hole	Yds	Par
1	376	4	10	410	4
2	487	5	11	140	3
3	330	4	12	515	5
4	143	3	13	324	4
5	315	4	14	125	3
6	360	4	15	403	4
7	466	5	16	485	5
8	126	3	17	346	4
9	363	4	18	415	5
Out	2,966	36	In	3,163	37

Total yardage: 6,129 Par: 73

A graveyard for seeded players

By John Hennessy

Frilford Heath proved to be a graveyard for seeded players on the third day of the English Championship. The sad procession of favourites included Jonathan Langmead, the holder, David Curry, the 1985 Amateur champion, Roger Roper, an international of growing stature, and Peter McEvoy, who has won everything that amateur golf has to offer except for this particular title.

From all the mayhem there emerged a rich character in Garry Boardman, Curry's victor by 4 and 3. Boardman, in his alter ego, is a taxi-driver, a man of nearly 18 stone who has personality to match.

This round of golf, he said, was the best of his life, surpassing even his course-record 67 during the Brabazon Trophy at Ganton in May. He attributes his improvement this season to an adjustment to his driver, which now has only six degrees' loft, some three or four degrees less than the usual setting.

Boardman, a Lancashire county player, generously conceded that Curry was not at his best.

The taxi-driver, unsurprisingly, drove well at the 12th and a wedge to three feet gave him a birdie, but at the three other holes he took advantage of some erratic golf by his opponent.

The taxi-driver then gave way to the plumber, another of the richly contrasting members of the cast. He was Jeremy Jones, of Middlesex, who beat Roper on the home green.

Jones had a dream start, winning three of the first four holes, substantially on his own merit, since he holed eight-foot putts on the first and fourth for birdies. Roper scraped a half at the third, but only by holing from 10 feet. By the 10th, Jones had fallen two behind. He won the next two holes, however, and killed off his man with a superb pitch to a couple of feet on the 18th.

Next on stage was an apprentice chef in the form of Warren Hewlett, of Kent. This championship is a monkey on McEvoy's back and once more he was the victim of a player he had never previously heard of. McEvoy turned two down, needed a third putt on the 11th and drove out of bounds at the 15th. Hewlett advanced a stage further in the afternoon by beating Peter Cherry, of Hertfordshire, by one hole.

By contrast to our other miniheros in the era of Faldo and Davies, Ken Fairbairn of Northumberland, is only a golfer, but too good a golfer on this occasion for Langmead.

RESULTS FROM FRILFORD HEATH

SECOND ROUND: C Rotheroe (Wentworth) bt A Collins (Davyhulme Park), 6 and 5; D Hickman (Waterlooville) bt I Lyner (Leics), 1 hole; F George (Beaconsfield) bt I Spencer (Heswall), 2 and 1; J Ambridge (West Herts) bt P Barlow (Grange Park), at 19th; T Berry (Dulwich and Sydenham) bt D Fletcher (Kings Norton), 2 holes; D Beech (Trentham) bt S Holden (Townley Park), 2 and 1; R Winchester (Sidmouth) bt M Wild (Ashton-under-Lyme), 6 and 5; J Robson (Orsett) bt D Gavrilovic (Frilford Heath), 2 and 1.

R Maxfield (Wolstanton) bt M Tunnicliffe (Bfordleigh), 4 and 3; J Dodds (Mannings Heath) bt R Hall (Walton Heath), 1 hole; S Standing (Cheshunt) bt G Cooley (Aldenham), 5 and 3; P Young (East Berks) bt C Edwards (Bath), 4 and 3; C Banks (Standon-on-the-Wolds) bt S Scott (Calcot Park), 2 and 1; P Broadhurst (Atherstone) bt D King (Oxford City), 3 and 2; S Amor (Marlborough) bt N Williams (North Wilts), 1 hole; P Cherry (Welwyn Garden City) bt P Sweetsur (Wolstanton), 2 and 1.

W Hewlett (Sundridge Park) bt P McEvoy (Copt Heath), 4 and 3; R Latham (Porters Park) bt B Worsley (Robin Hood), 5 and 3; A Hare (Woodhall Spa) bt A Crewer (Denham), 2 and 1, N Leconte (Berkhamsted) bt M Sutton (Ludlow), 6 and 5; G Homewood (Ashford Manor) bt S Eggley (Parkstone), 6 and 5; A Mills (Wortley) bt C Phillips (Newquay), 3 and 2; D Bathgate (Sandyway) bt C McKay (Letchworth), 4 and 3; C Suneson (Ladbrook Park) bt S Field (Silkstone), 5 and 4.

A Robertson (Seaton Carew) bt R Simmons (Tehidy Park), 3 and 2; C Cassells (Cruden Bay) bt A Clapp (Harpenden), at 20th; T Marsden (Crohamhurst) bt R White (High Post), 2 holes; L Murphy (Ilford) bt M Orris (Stoke Poges), 3 and 2; R Eggo (L'Ancresse) bt R Latham (Shirley Park), 4 and 3; V Cox (West Essex) bt T Nash (Carlyon Bay), 3 and 2; J Ripley (Hillsborough) bt P Thornley (Richmond), 1 hole.

THIRD ROUND: D Lee (Ilford) bt P Deeble (Alnwick), 3 and 2; G Boardman (Ashton-Under-Lyme) bt D Curry (Prudhoe), 4 and 3; R Smart (Peterborough Milton) bt D Spriddle (Pitreavie), 2 and 1; R Willison (Ealing) bt A Rogers (Ealing), 2 and 1. K Weeks (Brockenhurst Manor) bt S Watson (North Hants), 3 and 1; G Wolstenholme (Leics) bt D Jones (Three Rivers), 4 and 3; J Houghton (Abbeydale) bt D Parkin (Beacon Park), 3 and 2; J Jones (Enfield) bt R Roper (Catterick Garrison), 1 hole.

K Fairbairn (Berwick-on-Tweed) bt J Langmead (Newton Abbot), 3 and 2; N Holman (Worlebury) bt A Clark (Old Fold Manor), 3 and 2; T Clarke (Coxmoor) bt C Heneghan (Blackley), 3 and 1; J Jarvis (Ifield) bt R Hemming (Herefordshire), 3 and 2; J Davies (Sunningdale) bt A Lord (Northants County), 2 and 1; S Richardson (Lee-on-Solent) bt D Rossler (Newbury and Crookham) 2 and 1; J Metcalfe (Arcot Hall) bt D Lane (Goring and Streatley), 4 and 3; R Bardsley (Denton) bt V Hardy (Eastbourne Downs), 4 and 3; Rotheroe bt Hickman, 2 and 1; Ambridge bt George, 2 and 1; Beech bt Berry, 4 and 3.

Silver smile: Laura Davies with her US Open trophy at Heathrow yesterday

Americans fear that Davies could dominate US tour

By Patricia Davies

Laura Davies, the new United States women's Open champion, shares the passion for fast cars that seems to be endemic among winners of major titles and like Nick Faldo and Greg Norman she should soon be able to indulge her tastes to the full.

"I'd like a 924 Porsche," reveals the 23-year-old whose driving terrifies her father, who is now resident in South Carolina and has grown accustomed to a more sedate speed than his daughter favours. "But I can't afford one yet, even though I won nearly £35,000 on Tuesday. After tax and other expenses, I'll have about £20,000 left and most of that'll probably be going towards the new house I've just bought. The Porsche will have to wait."

It is unlikely to have to wait very long, however, for Miss Davies's magnificent win in the play-off on Tuesday makes her the hottest property in women's golf since Nancy Lopez burst on the professional scene a decade ago. Her manager, Colin Snape, who in his former guise as executive director of the WPGA once had Miss Davies fined for sloppy dress, acknowledges, "Laura is now an international star and as an attractive girl, in every sense of the word, and a breath of fresh air in the game, she is eminently marketable.

"What we have to do is sit down and take stock and not make any hasty decisions. All the negotiations I'm involved in at the moment are affected by what's happened and we have to stop, take one step back and ask 'how does this affect the market place?' Laura already has a tremendous following in Japan and an equipment contract with Maruman which is worth $100,000 (about £62,500) over the next three years and there's no telling just what she'll be worth as US Open champion. I am prepared to say that the sum should be substantial."

Snape pointed out that much of Miss Davies's future will involve the golf she plays in the United States and that little concrete planning can be done until the LPGA tour decides what to do about a non-member winning their most coveted title.

In the normal course of events, Miss Davies would have to go through their qualifying schools, something she was thinking of doing this autumn in any case, depending on her position in the Order of Merit in Europe, but the LPGA have said they will discuss the possibility of giving an exemption in this exceptional circumstance.

They would have to change their rules to accommodate Miss Davies and that means any decision will have to be made by the membership. JoAnne Carner, one of those beaten in the play-off, admitted Miss Davies was "an exceptional player" but added, "I think Laura should have to qualify for the tour." Whether that is the general view or not is not clear and Miss Davies does have her supporters, who have been charmed by her pleasant, unassuming personality and realise that the tour could do with the injection of excitement the young Englishwoman generates with her potent combination of immense hitting and a deft touch on and around the greens.

The problem is, of course, that, as no less an authority than Nancy Lopez has pointed out, Miss Davies could clean up if she were to play the American tour full time and that is not a thought that appeals to all her potential opponents. If Miss Davies can win the US women's open for the first time as a relatively inexperienced 23-year-old playing in only her fourth American tournament, it is mind-boggling to think of how many times she will have won the title by the time she reaches the venerable age of 48, which Mrs Carner is now. No wonder the Americans are frightened but it is in their interests not to be short-sighted as well.

Miss Davies herself says, "If I have a chance to be top in Europe for the third year in a row, then I may not go to the sectional qualifying school in Saratoga in September. A lot depends on how close I can get to Dale Reid, who's top of the money list at the moment. If I have a chance to catch her, I'd be tempted to try. We'll just have to see."

As it is, Miss Davies is eligible to play in the lucrative Nestlé world championship at the end of August. It has a field of only 12 and the first prize is $78,000 (about£49,000), a taste of the riches that lie ahead.

Mayo negotiates first hurdle

Paul Mayo, the Walker Cup international from Newport, yesterday overcame the first hurdle in his bid to add the Welsh amateur title to the British Championship he won at Prestwick last month.

Mayo, aged 24, the leading amateur in the Open Championship, beat Ian Booth, a two handicapper from Pyle and Kenfig, 5 and 4 in the second round at Royal Porthcawl. He will play James Gresty (Maesdu) this morning.

Chris Rees, the defending champion from Ashburnham who is seeded to meet Mayo in the 36-hole final, also comfortably won through to the third round.

● Joanna Lloyd and Sharon Bibbs, both aged 17 and in their final season as juniors, had narrow wins in their semi-finals and will meet over 18 holes at Cardiff today to decide the Welsh Girls' Championship.

WELSH AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP: First Round: M Calvert (Aberystwyth) bt I Duffy (Tenby), 4 and 3; J Price (Pontypridd) bt M Skinner (Pontnewydd), 2 holes; S Dodd (Brynhill) bt A Marsden (Rhuddlan), 4 and 3; P Bowen (Aberdare) bt A Ingram (Cardiff), 3 and 2; B Hughes (Holyhead) bt R Brown (Cardiff), 1 hole; J Williams (Wyke Green) bt G Lewis (Tenby), 4 and 2; M Owen (Aberystwyth) bt J Lee (Northants), at the 19th, T Melia (Cardiff) bt T Roberts (Padeswood and Buckley), 1 hole; J Jones (Langland Bay) bt J Thomas (Aberdare), 5 and 4; C Jones (Ashburnham) bt M Gillgrass (Pontnewydd), 4 and 3; C Davies (Llandrindod Wells) bt M Bearcroft (St Pierre), 1 hole; P Sykes (Pontypridd) bt N Roberts (Rolls of Monmouth), 7 and 6; M Davies (Glynhir) bt M Hayward (Pontnewydd), 3 and 2; C Davies (Rhuddlan) bt J Blewett (Ashburnham), 3 and 2; B Fisher (Pontardawe) bt A Rowland (Padeswood and Buckley), 1 hole; P Bloomfield (Whitchurch) bt R Cable (Thirsk), 1 hole; L Ivory (Brynhill) bt C Jones (Ifield), 1 hole; M Macara (Maesdu) bt S Lewis (Monmouthshire), 6 and 5; D Wood (Rochford Hundred) bt D Williams (Prestatyn), 5 and 4; M Herbert (Neath) bt J Davidson (Llanwern), 7 and 6, G Macara (Maesdu) bt S Jones (Cardiff), 4 and 2; S Wilkinson (St Melyd) bt D Chidley (Wrexham), 3 and 1; W Jones (Morlais Castle) bt L Griffiths (Southerndown), at the 21st; K Williams (N Wales) bt W Thomas (Tredegar Park), 3 and 2; K Jones (Worplesdon) bt J Savile (Pyle and Kenfig), 3 and 2; M Heames (Whitehall) bt S Giardina (Hawarden), at the 20th; L Absolam (Caerphilly) bt P Hughes (Mountain Ash), 3 and 2; H Evans (Langland Bay) bt A Williams (Bryn Meadows), 4 and 2; E Jones (Holyhead) bt R Johnson (Cardiff), 3 and 2; R Williams (Pontardawe) bt P Hughes (Fulford Heath), 3 and 2; J Weston (Rhuddlan) bt T Jones (Aberdovey), 1 hole; J Parry (Maesdu) bt P Rock (Radyr), 3 and 2; M Brimble (Llanwern) bt S Thomas (Shifnal), 2 holes; R Morris (Padeswood and Buckley) bt A Davies (Whitehall), 2 holes; R Roderick (Pontardawe) bt M Roper (Newport), 2 holes; R Broad (Minchinhampton) bt W Owen (Conwy), at the 20th. **Second Round:** P Mayo (Newport) bt I Booth (Pyle and Kenfig), 5 and 4; J Gresty (Maesdu) bt A Disley (Royal Porthcawl); J Jermine (East Berkshire) bt M Wickland (Tenby), 5 and 4; B Rolfe (Ashburnham) bt M Rees (Milford Haven), at the 20th; B Knight (Whitchurch) bt D Davies (Abergele), 5 and 3, N Davies (Newport) bt B MacFarlane (Aberdovey), 2 and 1; R Evans (Ashburnham) bt J Lee (Moor Park), 3 and 1; D Richards (Morriston) bt J Reed (Llantrisant), one hole, D McLean (Holyhead) bt T Priestland (Glynhir), 2 and 1; D Lockett (Padeswood and Buckley) bt A Harrhy (Llanwern), 4 and 2; J Peters (Southerndown) bt R Collins, at the 19th, P Jones (Wenvoe Castle) bt N Chidley (Wrexham), 2 and 1; S Hewitt (Llanwern) bt S Hopper (Abergele), 5 and 4; C Rees (Ashburnham) bt V Smith (Pontardawe), 5 and 4.

WELSH GIRLS' CHAMPIONSHIP: Quarter-finals: J Baker (Llantrisant and Pontyclun) bt L Hughes (Bull Bay), 8-6; S Bibbs (Pontardawe) bt A Pernam (Bargoed), 3-2; J Lloyd (Royal Mid-Surrey) bt J English (Monmouthshire), 6-5, L Dermott (St Melyd) bt K Baird (Vicar's Cross), one hole. **Semi-Finals:** Miss Bibbs bt Miss Baker, one hole; Miss Lloyd bt Miss Dermott, at 20th.

WOOLMARK ORDER OF MERIT (GB unless stated): 1, D Reid, £31,445.55; 2, L Davies, £21,796.59; 3, T Johnson, £19,108.67; 4, L Neumann (Swe), £18,502.70; 5, C Dibnah (Aus), £18,264.75; 6, K Douglas, £17,599.75; 7, M-L de Lorenzi Taya (Fr), £16,644.67; 8, D Dowling, £15,083.50; 9, A Nicholas, £12,792.37; 10, J Connachan, £12,748.27.

CARLISLE: Golf Foundation NatWest age group championship: Boys, U-16: 1, I Gracie (Dumfries and County), 71; U-15: 1, R Matthews (Windermere), 84; U-14: 1, N Mitchell (Penrith), 87; U-13: 1, G Davidson (Langholm), 79. Girls, U-16: 1, S Howse (Silloth-on-Solway), 83.

FOOTBALL

Liverpool offer for Miller is rejected

By a Special Correspondent

Aberdeen yesterday turned down an offer from Liverpool for their young forward, Joe Miller.

Although no official figure was announced, Liverpool's offer is believed to have been in the region of £500,000 – £250,000 short of Aberdeen's valuation.

Ian Porterfield, the Aberdeen manager, would only confirm that the Liverpool manager, Kenny Dalglish, had made an offer, but that it fell below his club's valuation.

"We do not want to lose the player but it would appear that we are going to have few alternatives," Porterfield said.

Miller, aged 19, who scored all four goals in his club's 4-2 win over Plymouth on Tuesday, has made it clear that he would like to leave the club for whom he has one year of his contract still to run.

It now looks almost certain that he will be on his way to England before the start of this season. Like Liverpool, Manchester United and now Tottenham are interested in signing him.

Meanwhile, Porterfield is optimistic about the prospect of buying a player next week. He has agreed a fee of £350,000 with Luton Town for Peter Nicholas, their Welsh international midfield player, and the decision will now rest with the player after he has a look around Pittodrie this weekend.

Dixon to remain at Chelsea

By Dennis Signy

Kerry Dixon, the Chelsea forward, yesterday committed his future to the club.

Dixon, speaking at Chelsea's 'Press Day', revealed that discussions during the close season between himself and John Hollins, the Chelsea manager, had resolved "a lot of differences".

Dixon said of Hollins: "He seems more at ease and the outlook is brighter from his point of view. That is the attitude I'm going to take.

"Perhaps at the end of last season I might have moved on but the manager wants me and it is now a question of me getting my act right," he added.

The signing of Kevin Wilson from Ipswich and the departure of David Speedie to Coventry means that Dixon is again one of four players vying for three places.

Both Dixon and Mike Hazard, the midfield player, have signed two-year contracts with the club.

Ken Bates, the Chelsea chairman, confirmed that he was negotiating with Marler Estates on a price for Stamford Bridge. More than £500,000 had been raised for the 'Save the Bridge' venture.

● John Bumstead, aged 28, Chelsea's longest serving player, has a testimonial match against the Spanish Cup winners, Real Sociadad, at Stamford Bridge on August 25.

Regis is ruled out by injury for Wembley

Cyrille Regis, the Coventry City forward, may be forced to withdraw from two Wembley appearances within the space of eight days. Regis, has injured a groin and is doubtful for both the FA Charity Shield against Everton on Saturday and the Mercantile Credit Centenary Classic between the Football League and the Rest of the World a week later.

This means that David Speedie, City's £750,000 signing from Chelsea during the summer, is in line to play against Everton, the league champions, from the kick-off rather than as a substitute.

● Terry Butcher, the England international who is suspended for Rangers' opening two matches of the season, faces an Scottish FA inquiry over his comment that Graham Roberts, his Ibrox team colleague's sending off in a friendly match in Israel was "scandalous."

EVENING RACING

Doncaster

Going: good

6.15 (1m 2f 50yd) 1. Planet Ash (R Carter, 100-30); 2. Samhaan (8-1); 3. Dawn Love (8-1) Vague Melody 3-1 fav 8 ran 2½l, nk. A Bailey. Tote: £4.50; £1.60, £2.30, £2.00. DF: £19.50. CSF: £27.49. Tricast: £179.89.

6.45 (7f) 1. Insan (T Quinn, 9-4) 2. My Lamb (3-1); 3. Alvar Aalto (7-4 fav) 14 ran. NR Macho Boy, Step To Stardom. P Cole. Tote: £3.20; £1.30, £1.90, £1.20. DF: £6.20.

CRICKET

Committee called to account by the requisitionists

By John Woodcock, Cricket Correspondent

For the second time in four years a special general meeting of MCC will be held today at Central Hall, Westminster, starting at 5.30.

On July 13, 1983, the object of the meeting was to vote on a resolution that "the members of the MCC Committee implement the selection of an MCC party to tour South Africa in 1983-84." At the end of a debate lasting three hours, attended by some 1,200 members, the committee's submission that the resolution be rejected was carried, the postal vote being substantially in the committee's favour.

The committee's purpose at this evening's meeting is to call for the adoption of the club's annual report and accounts, which were rejected at an eventually rancorous annual general meeting on May 6.

Because there has again be a postal ballot, the committee require a two-thirds majority and it will be both surprising and confusing if they fail to get it: surprising because historically a postal vote generally attracts widespread support for the committee and confusing because of the uncertainty it would create.

Presumably the committee, as broadly based and conscientious as the club has ever had, would feel obliged to resign if it were to lose today, and the whole affair has already got far enough out of hand without that.

The costs to the club of the great hullaballo are said even now to approach £50,000. Pride, perversity and priorities have all played a part in that. On the one hand, there are those who believe that Lord's should be treated, virtually, as consecrated ground; on the other, you have members of the same club, but wearing a different hat, charged with making first-class cricket commercially viable and in doing so greatly increasing MCC's income from the game.

In his letter to MCC members, which was sent round with a memorandum relating to today's meeting, Colin Cowdrey, the indisposed president, said that "a much-improved working relationship now exists between MCC and the TCCB (the Test and County Cricket Board)." So far as the guardianship of Lord's is concerned, he assured members that MCC's "conditional rights and privileges will be fully protected" through this memorandum.

The committee claims that "mutual trust and co-operation between MCC and the TCCB is the only way in which the respective interests of MCC and the TCCB can be reconciled".

Opposition to the committee has been assiduously canvassed. If not extensive, it will certainly make itself heard this evening. Described as requisitionists, the opposition want "to know more about the early retirement (in January) of Jack Bailey as secretary of MCC and the resignation of David Clark as treasurer."

Questions will be asked about the dismissal of the club's previous solicitors and the reasons for the report of the working party in 1984 not being fully implemented. The committee will be more prepared now than they were at the annual general meeting when quizzed on the financial implications of the decisions taken by the TCCB with regard to Lord's, and the rights, such as they are, which have been granted to the TCCB.

Regarding all these aspects the committee will have their speakers. An opening and closing speaker has also been delegated from each side. David Clark said yesterday that "the objective must be for the committee to regain the confidence of the members."

If the vast majority of those members were unaware until recently, when they started to be told about it, that they might have lost that confidence, they will have had the chance to speak for themselves in the postal ballot. In the hall itself, where the dissidents may be expected in force, the vote is likely to be much closer.

Return for Border uneventful

By Ivo Tennant

Two days past his 32nd birthday and 24 hours after his arrival from Australia, Allan Border's return to action for Essex at Chelmsford yesterday was halted when play was washed out in the NatWest Trophy quarter-final against Northamptonshire.

Invigorated as a result of not having played since April, he was missing, he said, not only cricket but the banter of the Essex dressing room that he left last August. So much so that he hopes to rejoin the county for their last few matches of the season.

"I needed a break from county cricket but if Australia's tour of Sri Lanka does not go ahead in September owing to the troubles there, I would like to play for Essex. Even joining their second XI would be better than having net practice. If we were due to set off tomorrow for Sri Lanka, we would not be going.

"I enjoyed my season with Essex since county cricket is more relaxed than the intense international circuit. I have not ruled out playing county cricket again although clubs are always looking for new faces and most are after fast bowlers."

The Australian captain said he would have preferred to have played in England when he was beginning his career and that he had advised some promising Australian cricketers to play here. "I would not recommend county cricket to fast bowlers but it would be beneficial for batsmen and all-rounders."

Border said that during his break from the game he resolved to play for as long as he could. "I enjoy the life style and it would be silly to pack cricket it in soon and have regrets when one is middle-aged. Cricket is in a state of limbo in Australia and I do not want to retire until it is revitalized. It is still our national sport but there is a danger at home that if a sport has a figurehead, such as Pat Cash in tennis, that sport will become more popular."

Competition for Test places will be fiercer in future, he said. "The majority of Australian cricketers who went to South Africa are back in their Shield squads and are raring to return, Kim Hughes not least. Our tour of England in 1985 was disrupted by the defections to South Africa more than I wanted to admit at the time but I would be happy to have those players back."

Jones will play for World XI

By Alan Lee

Dean Jones, the outstanding Australian batsman in last winter's Ashes series, has been called into the Rest of the World side to face an England XI at Jesmond today in the first of two limited overs matches.

The mini-festival, sponsored by the Callers Pegasus Travel company, has attracted many of the world's leading players to the compact ground just outside Newcastle, where 4,000 people will watch each of the games, all tickets having been sold some weeks ago.

Jones, the Victorian, aged 26, who averaged 55 against England and scored an unbeaten 184 to inspire Australia's only win of the series in Sydney, replaces his national captain Allan Border, who is committed to completing a Nat-West Trophy quarter-final with Essex.

For Jones, who has yet to play before a major English audience, it will be an interesting experience and an opportunity to display his skill. Various counties are casting around for an overseas player for next season and Essex, for one, would surely be interested if he became available.

Border is still inked in to lead the World team in the second game tomorrow

In Border's absence, Viv Richards will captain the Rest of the World today – something of an irony in view of the rumours that Richards may have withdrawn from MCC's bi-centenary match at Lord's next month because he is piqued that Border had been prefered to him as captain.

The England side is led by John Emburey, who is joined by Ian Botham and Graham Dilley from the current Test squad. Only Hampshire's Mark Nicholas, of the chosen team, is uncapped at Test level.

ENGLAND XI: G Fowler (Lancashire), W N Slack (Middlesex), M C J Nicholas (Hampshire), N H Fairbrother (Lancashire), I T Botham (Worcestershire), C S Cowdrey (Kent), C J Richards (Surrey), J E Emburey (Middlesex, captain), G R Dilley (Worcestershire), P J W Allott (Lancashire), N G Cowans (Middlesex)
REST OF THE WORLD: C G Greenidge (West Indies), D B Vengsarkar (India), I V A Richards (West Indies, captain), G A Hick (Zimbabwe), D M Jones (Australia), A L Logie (West Indies), S R Waugh (Australia), R J Shastri (India), T E Blain (New Zealand), M D Marshall (West Indies), A H Gray (West Indies).

Imran benefit

WEST BROMWICH FC: Pakistan 278 for six (Mansoor Akhtar 73). India 283 for six (Raman Lamba 90, Dilip Vengsarkar 72). India won by 4 wkts.

No play yesterday

CHELMSFORD: Essex v Northants

POLO

Victory for Chopendoz

Bryan Morrison's Royal Berkshire Club team, Chopendoz (received ½) beat John Yeoman's Southfield, 11½ goals to four, in the last of the high-goal Cowdray Park Challenge Cup quarter-finals at Ambersham, Sussex, yesterday. (John Watson writes).

Chopendoz were missing their regular No. 2, Charles Beresford, a 6-goal man, the substitute being Phillip Elliott who plays off a five handicap, thus reducing the team aggregate from 22 to 21, hence the half-goal allowance for Chopendoz.

In the Southfield line-up Jonathan Wade, at one, replaced John Yeoman, who is still not fully recovered from the injury he received in June.

Southfield, were the favourites for this encounter, and when, in the first minute, Alan Kent, mounted on Martin Brown's Marijuana, dribbled the ball through the Chopendoz opposition to score, it seemed to signal a Southfield victory.

But, thereafter, Rinehart and Kent could not get their act together in their familiar style and Brown was unusually slow in defence. For Chopendoz, on the other hand, Elliott managed an excellent forward duo with the six-handicap Colombian, Antonio Galvan, and Dale Smicklas was just as reliable in attack as in defence.

CHOPENDOZ: 1. A Galvin (6), 2. P Elliott (5) 3. D Smicklas (7) Back. B Morrison (3). **SOUTHFIELD:** 1. J Wade (1), 2 A Kent (7). 3. O Rinehart (9) Back. M Brown (5)

BILLIARDS

Late rush by Gilchrist

Geet Sethi, the world champion from Bombay, cruised into the semi-finals of the world amateur championship in Belfast yesterday (George Ace writes).

Sethi, who is now based in England, scored maximum points from eight preliminary games in section A and will probably be accompanied to the semi-finals by David Edwards, the English champion. The other semi-final is almost certain to be contested by Sethi's countryman, Subhash Agrawal, and Joe Grech, from Malta, who both have 12 points from 14.

Peter Gilchrist, from Middlesborough, however kept his slim chances of survival alive in section B when he defeated Grech 1,631-1,613 to join the top pair on 12 points. He was trailing by 67 points with ten minutes remaining, but then compiled a break of 85 for the narrowest margin of victory margin in the championship so far – just 18 points.

Grech and Agrawal would, however, have to lose their final section games and Gilchrist win his by a margin of some 4,000 points to alter the anticipated semi-final pairings over three sessions today and tomorrow.

Foaming Forest

The local brewers, Shipstones, have signed a three-year sponsorship agreement with Nottingham Forest worth £360,000

RUGBY LEAGUE

Britain set for France

Great Britain's rugby league internationals with France in the forthcoming season will take place at Avignon on January 24 and Headingley on February 6, it was announced yesterday (Keith Macklin writes).

Lancashire and Yorkshire's War of the Roses match will again be sponsored by Rodstock. It will take place at Wigan on September 16.

As expected, Wigan have appointed Maurice Lindsay as the successor to Jack Hilton as club chairman.

● Mick Burke, the former Great Britain fullback, who was Oldham's record £40,000 buy from Widnes last January, has been transfer-listed. Burke, aged 28, has played only 13 games for Oldham due to injury and business commitments.

● Hull's former Great Britain loose-forward, Steve Norton, has turned down a new contract with the club and announced his retirement after 18 years in top flight rugby league.

● The Great Britain amateur squad to play Papua New Guinea in October, announced yesterday, is led by Hull's Ace Amateurs' captain, Steve Critchenson, who could win a record 23rd cap.

SQUAD: M Bawden (Whitehaven), K Baynes (Hull), J Brocklebank (Whitehaven), T Brook (Huddersfield), S Critchenson (Hull, captain), I Ellis (York), J Emson (Warrington), D Fairbank (Halifax), J Fairbank (Halifax), P Lewis (Dewsbury), F Malloy (Widnes), T Manning (Halifax), P Messenger (Whitehaven), S Rawlinson (Halifax), D Tate (Dewsbury), M Todd (Bradford), V Webb (Warrington)

TENNIS

Tournament is saved

The women's international tennis tournament at Brighton in the autumn, which at one stage came close to being called off, will definitely go ahead from October 18 to 25.

The tournament, won last year by Steffi Graf, is part of the women's international series and carries prize money of £125,000. The previous sponsors, Pretty Polly, pulled out a month ago, after television companies said they were no longer interested.

But now George Hendon, the tournament director, has given the go-ahead, with a new sponsor to be named next month.

VANCOUVER: Federation Cup: First round results (winners' names first): **United States 3 Japan 0** (P Shriver bt A Kijimuta [illegible], Evert bt E Inoue, 6-2, 6-4; Evert and Z Garrison bt Kijimuta and Inoue, 6-2, 7-5) **Italy 3, Belgium 0** (S Cecchini bt S Wasserman, 6-1, 6-0; R Reggi bt A Devries, 6-2, 7-5, L Garrone and C Nozzoli bt Wasserman and Devries, 6-3, 6-1) **Bulgaria 2, Greece 1** (K Maleeva bt O Tsarbopoulo, 6-0, 6-0; M Maleeva bt A Kanellopoulou, 6-0, 6-0; bt D Rangelova and U Bebenan lost to Tsarbopoulo and Kanellopoulou, 6-2, 6-4). **France 3, Austria 0** (I Demongeot bt P Huber, 6-1, 6-4; N Tauziat bt J Wiesner, 6-3, 7-5; Demongeot and C Suire bt Huber and Wiesner, 6-3, 7-5). **Indonesia 3, Ireland 0** (S Anggarkusumah bt S Nicholson, 5-7, 6-4, 6-3, N Rahayu Basuki bt J Thornton, 6-4, 6-2; Rahayu Basuki and W Walalangi bt L O'Halloran and R Hewitt, 7-6, 6-3). **Spain 3, Jamaica 0** (M Llorca bt H Harris, 6-1, 6-2; A Sanchez bt J van Ryk de Groat, 6-3, 6-1; Lorca and Sanchez bt Harris and van Ryk de Groat, 7-6, 6-2) **Australia 3, Denmark 0** (A Minter bt L Vandborg, 6-2, 6-0; E Smylie bt T Scheuer-Larsen, 5-7, 6-4, 6-0, J Byrne and W Turnbull bt Vandborg and Scheuer-Larsen, 4-6, 6-2, 6-2). **Britain 3, Chile 0** (S Gomer bt C Espinoza, 6-3, 6-1; J Durie bt M Miranda, 6-2, 6-1; Durie and A Hobbs bt Espinoza and Miranda, 6-1, 6-0).

Stovold smoothes a path into the semi-finals

By Marcus Williams

BRISTOL (Gloucestershire won the toss): Gloucestershire beat Warwickshire by five wickets

Andy Stovold,with a superb 94, steered Gloucestershire into the semi-finals of the NatWest Trophy yesterday with a victory over Warwickshire which looks closer in the final count than it actually was. Despite Gloucestershire losing four wickets for 12 runs, it was a disappointingly one-sided match.

Stovold, the unchallenged man of the match, shared a decisive opening partnership of 151 with Tony Wright, who made an attractive 58.

It was a useful toss for Graveney to win, for the pitch, though never difficult, became easier as the day wore on; but in truth Warwickshire did little to help themselves. Defending a modest total of 203 for seven, which owed a lot to a brave 55 not out from Tedstone, Warwickshire dropped both openers in single figures.

Stovold, when eight, was dropped by Humpage from a sharp, low chance off Donald and, in the next over from Small, Amiss spilled a straightforward catch at first slip, offered by Wright, who was then four.

Thereafter Warwickshire were never in with a shout; Wright was missed again at 87, Smith leaping unavailingly at square leg, and with Stovold given plenty of opportunity to indulge his favourite square cut, the runs came at a pace.

Stovold was first to his fifty, off 71 balls, 27 fewer than Wright, who reached his after a brief interruption for rain. Small, not surprisingly lookingshort of match fitness after only two previous games this season, eventually bowled Wright off his pads in the 34th over, and by then their stand had exceeded the 87 and 145 they put on in the first two rounds.

Stovold stroked his way confidently on and all but completed the job as Gloucestershire got themselves into an awful late tangle.

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By contrast with Warwickshire's poor efforts in the field, a superb diving catch by Russell, low and at full stretch in front of first slip to remove Moles, began Warwickshire's demise. The medium pace of Bainbridge and Alleyne was well suited to the conditions and they removed Lloyd, after a bright start, and Humpage in successive overs.

From 59 for four Amiss was again left to build something from the ruins and he soldiered through 37 overs for his 40 runs, but the fact that they included only a single boundary was indicative of Warwickshire's struggles. A key figure in this was Graveney, who found a little turn and wheeled through his 12 overs of left-arm spin for only 30 runs. All the bowlers chipped in. Walsh nipping one back to remove Amiss at 127 and the 'fillers-in', Alleyne and Lloyds, sharing 12 overs for 29.

Tedstone played extremely well in the later stages of the innings, taking over the senior role after Amiss's departure and sharing with Parsons in the biggest stand of the innings, 54 in 13 overs. Tedstone reached 50 from 66 balls with a leg-side six off Bainbridge and 40 runs from the last five overs finally dragged Warwickshire's scoring rate above three an over.

WARWICKSHIRE

T A Lloyd b Bainbridge	34
A J Moles c Russell b Lawrence	6
Asif Din c Russell b Walsh	4
D L Amiss lbw b Walsh	40
†G W Humpage b Alleyne	2
P A Smith c Athey b Lloyds	19
G A Tedstone not out	55
G J Parsons c Lawrence b Bainbridge	19
G C Small not out	5
Extras (lb 11, w 5, nb 3)	19
Total (7 wkts, 60 overs)	203

A A Donald and *N Gifford did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-29, 2-34, 3-56, 4-59, 5-102, 6-127, 7-181.

BOWLING: Walsh 12-1-42-2, Lawrence 12-2-49-1; Bainbridge 12-1-42-2; Alleyne 6-1-12-1; Graveney 12-1-30-0; Lloyds 6-0-17-1.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE

A W Stovold b Parsons	94
A J Wright b Small	58
C W J Athey hit wkt b Donald	18
P Bainbridge c Humpage b Donald	2
K M Curran c Asif Din b Parsons	0
J W Lloyd not out	8
M W Alleyne not out	0
Extras (lb 12, w 10, nb 5)	27
Total (5 wkts, 46.2 overs)	207

†R C Russell, *D A Graveney, C A Walsh and D V Lawrence did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-151, 2-191, 3-198, 4-198, 5-203.

BOWLING: Donald 9-1-37-2; Small 12-1-53-1; Parsons 9.2-0-40-2; Gifford 9-1-27-0; Smith 3-0-17-0; Moles 4-0-21-0.

Man of the match: A W Stovold.

Umpires: D J Constant and K E Palmer.

Jarvis shoulders the burden to give Yorkshire control

By Richard Streeton

HEADINGLEY (Yorkshire won toss): Yorkshire, with seven wickets in hand, need 100 runs in 21 overs to beat Leicestershire

Loud booing from the crowd accompanied the players off the field when this NatWest Trophy match came to a halt in bright sunshine last night. A total of 85 minutes were lost during four stoppages. Under the regulations, the umpires, not being sure that the match could be completed, were perfectly correct to end play at 7.10.

There had already been some confusion because tea was taken unusually early at 4.15 when bad light interrupted the match for 45 minutes. Had the match gone the full distance yesterday evening, the fielders would have faced an unprecedented 56 overs. Carrick, the Yorkshire captain, twice went on the field to discuss with the umpires and his opposite number, Willey, whether the game should be carried over. As it turned out, within 15 minutes of the close, the light was again dreadful and no more play was possible.

One potentially controversial issue was happily avoided when the pitch remained easy paced, with reliable bounce, all day. Keith Boyce, the groundsman, who has made liberal use of an extra heavy roller recently, has clearly solved some of his problems.

Moxon and Metcalfe batted with calm, correct certainty from the start before DeFreitas abruptly caused a crisis with two wickets with successive balls. Moxon, trying to turn a ball to the legside, edged it into his stumps; Blakey was leg-before pushing forward.

Metcalfe, however, stayed unruffled and drove stylishly on both sides of the wicket and Sharp supported him with a disciplined innings. Metcalfe raced past his half-century and at the halfway mark Yorkshire needed 123 to win. At 131, Metcalfe was brilliantly caught in the gully off Ferris by Willey, who clung to a fierce square cut to his left. Metcalfe hit a six and nine fours.

Apart from Jarvis the Yorkshire attack, depleted by Sidebottom's absence, did not bowl well. Twelve wides were conceeded, five of them by Fletcher, and three catches were dropped. Jarvis claimed the first four batsmen and twice took two wickets in quick succession.

Leicestershire's momentum was hardly helped by three interruptions for rain. At other times the sun shone with great strength. Gower, at his most felicitious, was ably helped by Briers; Whitaker, Clift and DeFreitas all applied a much-needed spur towards the end.

Jarvis's first two wickets brought spectators to their feet. Cobb pushed forward and was caught behind; Willey played at a ball outside the off stump and Moxon at first slip made a low catch look easy.

LEICESTERSHIRE

R A Cobb c Bairstow b Jarvis	9
N E Briers c Moxon b Jarvis	32
*P Willey c Moxon b Jarvis	2
D I Gower c Metcalfe b Jarvis	49
J J Whitaker c Love b Shaw	39
P B Clift lbw b Carrick	20
P A J DeFreitas c Jarvis b Hartley	33
†P Whitticase c Bairstow b Hartley	3
C C Lewis b Fletcher	18
J P Agnew not out	8
G J F Ferris not out	2
Extras (b 2, lb 6, w 12, nb 1)	21
Total (9 wkts, 60 overs)	236

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-17, 2-21, 3-103, 4-109, 5-149, 6-187, 7-195, 8-222, 9-233.

BOWLING: Jarvis 12-2-41-4; Hartley 12-0-43-2; Fletcher 12-2-55-1; Shaw 8-1-41-1; Carrick 12-3-33-1; Moxon 4-0-15-0.

YORKSHIRE

M D Moxon b DeFreitas	18
A A Metcalfe c Willey b Ferris	73
R J Blakey lbw b DeFreitas	0
K Sharp not out	38
J D Love not out	1
Extras (lb 1, w 5, nb 1)	7
Total (3 wkts, 39 overs)	137

†D L Bairstow, *P Carrick, P J Hartley, P W Jarvis, C Shaw and S D Fletcher to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-50, 2-50, 3-131.

Umpires: B Dudleston and R Palmer.

Victory dawns in border duel

By Jack Bailey

TRENT BRIDGE: Derbyshire, with six wickets in hand, need 163 runs in 26 overs to beat Nottinghamshire

With 163 needed from 26 overs, Derbyshire are just up with the clock in the chase to overtake Nottinghamshire's 268 for eight; but for them it must be longish odds against success. When Tim Barnett and John Morris were together and the run rate was ticking along, well ahead of Nottinghamshire at the same stage, the strong Derbyshire element in the 8,000 crowd were sufficiently enraptured by the turn defence was taking as to be positively impatient with a local female streaker.

But then onto the scene came Eddie Hemmings. His first over was a maiden. Before long, he had tempted Morris into a pull — just as he had in the recent county championship match between these bordering rivals.

The ball was not well up enough for the stroke and Robinson at midwicket took the catch. It was the breakthrough Nottinghamshire needed, and when Hemmings had Barnett leg before for an excellent 53, the Nottinghamshire star was in the ascendent and Hemmings with seven overs for eight runs and two wickets had largely put them there.

So the match will continue with little of Derbyshire's recognized batting left and with Hadlee and Hemmings with a hatful of overs in hand. Hadlee did not use the new ball, and so far the strategy of keeping him back has worked admirably.

The cornerstone of Nottinghamshire's innings was a partnership of 118 for the second wicket between Broad and Newell. Newell is going through a purple patch. A double century, a century and 41 were in the bank from his last three innings.

Now in his first ever match in this competition, he precociously became the senior partner, pushing Broad to run the cheekiest yet safest of runs and taking only 67 balls to reach his 50 — 32 balls fewer than the England opener.

Johnson looked to give an unattempted catch behind the wicket before he was off the mark, but he was busily making up for the demise of Rice, out first ball. Hadlee and Birch carried on the good work and looked set to carry Nottinghamshire well into the 270s when a remarkable thing happened.

The pick of the Derbyshire attack had been Holding (as ever) and Mortensen (in spite of bowling eight wides) but with Notts on the rampage it fell to Jean-Jacques to complete the Derbyshire quota. Before he moved in for a momentous last over, Jean-Jacques's 11 overs had yielded 72 runs without reward.

He had bowled in such short spells that he seemed to have been bowling all day. Could there be a Jean *and* a Jacques bowling for Derbyshire, we wondered, and if so, which of them was about to deliver?

Anyway, Birch took a single and then Hadlee was beautifully caught by Barnett running in, diving and hanging on to a skier. Birch met a similar fate, slogging at the next ball.

When French waved at a very wide ball down the legside and was caught at the wicket, we had witnessed perhaps not the most distinguished hat-trick of all time; but it is in the record books — as is French for being third man in a hat-trick twice this season.

Scoreboard

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

B C Broad c Maher b Malcolm	87
R T Robinson lbw b Holding	19
M Newell c Barnett b Mortensen	60
*C E B Rice c sharma b Mortensen	0
P Johnson lbw b Holding	41
R J Hadlee c Barnett b Jean-Jacques	34
J D Birch c Roberts b Jean-Jacques	20
†B N French c Maher b Jean-Jacques	0
E E Hemmings not out	0
R A Pick not out	0
Extras (lb 10, w 15, nb 2)	27
Total (8 wkts, 60 overs)	268

K Saxelby did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-35, 2-153, 3-153, 4-186, 5-237, 6-268, 7-268, 8-268.

BOWLING: Holding 12-1-33-2; Jean-Jacques 12-0-73-3; Mortensen 12-1-35-2; Malcolm 11-0-53-1; Sharma 7-1-32-0; Finney 2-0-17-0; Roberts 4-1-15-0.

DERBYSHIRE

*K J Barnett lbw b Hemmings	53
†B J M Maher c Hadlee b Rice	11
B Roberts c French b Hadlee	10
J E Morris c Robinson b Hemmings	15
I S Anderson not out	5
R J Finney not out	9
Extras (w 2, nb 1)	3
Total (4 wkts, 34 overs)	106

R Sharma, D E Malcolm, M A Holding, M Jean-Jacques and O H Mortensen to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-38, 2-59, 3-83, 4-93.

Umpires: M J Kitchen and B Leadbeater.

Opening up: Broad lofts a ball to the boundary during the match at Trent Bridge yesterday.

Six sixes in an over

Mansoor Elahi yesterday lived the batsman's dream of six successive sixes in an over, yet his Pakistan side playing in a charity match against an Indian XI at the Hawthorns still lost the game by four wickets.

Mansoor managed a total of 48 out of Pakistan's total of 278 for six, achieved in front of 2,000 fans at the West Bromwich Albion football ground, with Kirti Azad being the unfortunate bowler on the receiving end

India emerged as winners of the match with five balls of their 35-over innings to spare, following an innings of 90 from Raman Lamba, their opener, and 72 from Dilip Vengsarkar.

It was not Pakistan's day. The team arrived more than an hour late for the game after their coach broke down and the players had to transfer to a fleet of private cars.

SCORES: Pakistan 278 for 6 (Mansoor Akhtar 73, Mansoor Elahi 48, Rameez Raja 45); India 283 for 6 (Raman Lamba 90, Dilip Vengsarkar 72).

Van Zyl injury

Corrie Van Zyl, Glamorgan's South African pace bowler who has a suspected stress fracture in his left foot, is to have a bone scan to determine whether he will play again this season. Van Zyl was plagued by the injury in South Africa last winter and the problem flared again during Glamorgan's match with Yorkshire at Headingley

END COLUMN

Racing tries to ride storm

By John Goodbody

Like yesterday's weather, the mood at Goodwood was stormy, then unsettled discomfort, giving way to sunny optimism, but with no certainty of settled cheerfulness. If it was not exactly the traditional "Glorious Goodwood", one of the most celebrated and socially distinguished meetings in the calendar, the weather and the atmosphere in horse-racing have improved.

The Customs and Excise is still investigating leading figures in the sport for the possible non-payment of VAT and has already interviewed 16 top jockeys and trainers. Among those are the champion flat race jockey, Pat Eddery, the former champion, Steve Cauthen, and Willie Carson, who often rides the Queen's horses.

The inquiry is part of a determined move by the authorities, dating from 1985, to end tax avoidance in a sport which has always partly consisted of cash payments. Lester Piggott is to face later this year 12 charges brought by the Inland Revenue and the VAT authorities.

A Sunday newspaper also last week alleged that it had a tape recording of the former champion jockey betting against himself, allegations which in the same paper Piggott denied. Under the rules of racing a jockey is prohibited from betting on horse-racing during his term of licence.

A spokeswoman for the Jockey Club, the sport's governing body, said yesterday: "We have started an investigation. But we are waiting to receive the tape. If appropriate, the stewards will order a disciplinary inquiry."

Yesterday at Goodwood spectators watched the dark clouds over the South Downs with concern but most had come adequately prepared with huge umbrellas whose colours sometimes clashed with those of the flimsy dresses.

Helicopters discharged some racegoers in the middle of one of the most spectacular courses in Britain. A Caribbean band played in front of the grandstand. Despite the weather people were enjoying themselves.

Lord March, whose family owns Goodwood, where racing has taken place since 1802, said that the recent revelations had "extraordinarily little effect on the sport. There are, of course, those in racing whom I term 'the Dismal Jimmy brigade' and say that it is not what it was.

"The public generally do have an attitude that racing is somehow not quite straight but I think that the sport is as straight as a good many other things. But when something like what has happened occurs it confirms there are problems. It has no effect on people in the sport itself but it may influence those who are marginally interested who go racing two or three times a year.

"You can't dismiss it because it does have an effect. These people are very valuable and if racing is to grow it is important that people are not going to be robbed."

Rodney Fabricius, the clerk of the course at Goodwood, also speaks of a mood of confidence and optimism, with crowds increasing and with this year's abolition of course tax on bookmakers giving further incentive to the sport. "Things are going well for racing," he said.

John Dunlop, the trainer, has been interviewed by government officials since 'Operation Centaur', the codename for the inquiry, began. He recently told *The Times*: "They had a look at my affairs and found nothing at all. As far as I know they have finished with me."

Yesterday he said: "No sport likes bad publicity, just as cricket did not like the publicity over Ian Botham and drugs, but this was a minor hiccup except for those people actually involved. It does not reflect on the industry."

Lord March: game is straight

Navratilova is missed

From Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent, Vancouver

The United States, who have won 12 of the previous 24 women's world team championships, did not concede a set to Japan in the first round. But Chris Evert confessed that she felt an extra weight of responsibility in the absence of Martina Navratilova, who is unfit. "We're still looking good," said Miss Evert, "but it's going to be tough."

Miss Evert, aged 32, said she would retire "soon — maybe this year, maybe next." But there can be no slackening of effort this week if the United States are to retain the Federation Cup. They have no established doubles team and Pam Shriver, who played the second string singles against Japan, was understandably nervous because she had never before played a world championship singles.

Miss Evert, who felt that she needed the extra match-play, partnered Zina Garrison in the dead doubles match.

One unusual feature of the singles was the eight-inch disparity in height between the lanky Miss Shriver and her opponent. Another was Miss Evert's halter-necked dress, which was semi-barebacked and, when dampened by sweat, semi-transparent. Tennis may be show business but not, usually, that kind of show business.

The third day reduced the field to 16 nations, including all the eight seeds and all the former champions except South Africa. That exception is an interesting study in sporting politics. South Africa competed for 15 consecutive years but, since 1977, have been persuaded to waive their right to enter — on the grounds that, if they did so, some nations would disrupt the competition by refusing to play. That is not logic, it is casuistry sired by expedience.

The Maleeva sisters won their singles without even losing a game, whereupon their captain (their mother) appeared on court for the doubles. Bulgaria must be desperately short of players. Australia's captain and No. 1, Wendy Turnbull, made more sense than her Bulgarian counterpart. Miss Turnbull, aged 34, played only in the doubles, confidently leaving the singles to Elizabeth Smylie and Anne Minter, who were good enough to deal with Denmark.

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The other seeds in action, in addition to the United States, Bulgaria and Australia, were Britain's next opponents, Italy. Britain warmed up with an admirably competent win over Chile, whose first string was only 15 years old. Jo Durie, Sara Gomer and — in doubles — Miss Durie and Anne Hobbs conceded only eight games between them. Miss Gomer was making her world championship debut.

Ireland were beaten by Indonesia. Both teams had to qualify. Siobhan Nicholson played well enough to create chances but not well enough to take them. At first string, Jennifer Thornton was outclassed. An exotic feature of the tie was the name of Miss Nicholson's opponent: Suzanna Anggarkusumah. The umpire, who merely had to say "Indonesia", was grateful to be spared further identification.

Such modest tennis playing nations as Chile, Ireland and Indonesia are on a hiding to nothing in a world championship. From small, unpromising beginnings this competition has become a distinguished success in every way. In the first three days of this 25th championship the attendance averaged 7,265 — and the exciting ties had yet to come.

The stands, especially installed for the occasion, were packed. The souvenir stalls did a roaring trade. So did the public snack bars. One suspects, incidentally, that North America is the only continent in which a customer would order: "One dog. Hold the onions."

Ultimately, the attendance may be a record for an itinerant festival that lacks the advantages of a settled home, permanent facilities, and administrative continuity. One record has already been established. On the third day the press bar was closed because, I was told, it was not making enough money. Maybe they should have opened it more often — or hired Miss Evert to serve the drinks.

Lightning mishap for Britons

Two British golfers were struck by lightning while preparing for the Scandinavian Open championship which begins in Ullna, Sweden, today. John Morgan, the 1986 Jersey Open champion, was knocked to the ground, and the former Ryder Cup player, Michael King, was struck on the arm when an electric storm hit the lakeside course.

"The bolt ran up the shaft of my umbrella and I felt it all the way up my arm," said King. "I was playing the fifth hole when it happened and it was a very frightening experience."

Morgan was a hole ahead when he was sent spinning. "It was as if someone had taken a flashlight photo directly in front of my face and that was followed by a massive thunderclap," he said.

John Paramor, the tournament director, abandoned the pro-am match as the players raced for cover, among them Howard Clark, who said he saw sparks showering off the metal posts holding the fairway ropes.

Ian Woosnam, the 1984 winner, is using the tournament as a warm-up for the United States PGA championship next week. The £32,000 winner's cheque would push Woosnam's earnings for the season above £200,000, and he is keen to make up for his poor performance in the Open

Nick Faldo, the Open champion, withdrew his entry last week, preferring to rest prior to the American event.

Britons maintain lead over world

It was another perfect day for yacht racing at the world enterprise championships, sponsored by Heineken, at Crosshaven yesterday, when the British helm, Neil Marsden, crewed by Keith Crebbin, managed to maintain the overall lead.

However, following the race, Crebbin needed medical attention for a wound in his hand, suffered at the British championships last week, which had become swollen and infected.

Yesterday's race started in a breeze of 20 knots which at times touched 30, but there were few capsizes among the fleet of 64 competitors.

The race was won by Peter Vincent crewed by Alec Jones from Bristol Corinthians YC, with Neil Marsden in second after climbing through the fleet after falling behind on the first windward leg.

Ian Barker and Simon Cook of Penarth Yacht Club also maintained their consistency with another third placing which puts them in second place overall at the halfway stage in the championship.

Ian Southworth and Andy Service of Southport SC were further down the field but they hold third overall.

RESULTS: Third race: 1, P Vincent and A Jones (GB); 2, N Marsden and K Crebbin (GB); 3, I Barker and S Cook (GB); 4, C Bows and T Sadler (GB); 5, S Grant and D Manson (GB); 6, S Venables and J Hulbert (GB). Overall: 1, Marsden and Crebbin 4¾; 2, Barker and Cook 8; 3, I Southworth and A Service (GB) 16; 4, T Horey and G Pallett (GB) 21; 5, Vincent and Jones 21¾; 6, T Prior and P McChrystal (GB) 31.

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SPORT IN BRIEF

Cova out of Rome

Alberto Cova, the world and Olympic 10,000 metres champion, said yesterday that he would not compete in the world athletics championships, which begin next month in Rome, because of his poor results this year.

"My form has not been improving as it should have," Cova said. He added that he had decided to rest until winter when he would start training for next year's Olympic Games in Seoul. Aged 29, Cova has not found consistent winning form since an injury at last year's European championships in Stuttgart, where he was beaten into second place by his compatriot, Stefano Mei.

Alleyne signs

Gloucestershire have signed Mark Alleyne, who at 18 years and 55 days became their youngest cricketer to make a century, on contract until the end of 1992.

Bishop: race for fitness

Bishop's delay

David Bishop, who was suspended for 11 months last October for striking an opponent, may not be able to resume playing rugby union when his ban finishes on September 1. The Wales and Pontypool scrum half sustained a foot injury in training and has had a leg in plaster for three weeks. Pontypool's first match is on September 2 against a district XV.

Cash on table

The Suffolk brewery, Greene King, are to sponsor a London Snooker League next season. The two divisions, with 24 teams in each, will be drawn from more than 60 clubs. Prize-money will be worth £18,000 over three years. The first champions will receive £1,500.

Injured again

Colin Jackson, the world junior 100 metres hurdles champion, has withdrawn from this weekend's Kodak Amateur Athletic Association championships at Crystal Palace with a recurrence of a hamstring injury.

No admission

Chelsea's pre-season football match away to Aldershot tomorrow will be played behind closed doors owing to essential repair work being undertaken at the Recreation Ground.

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